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## 298 killed as warship destroys civilian jet in the Gulf US shoots down Iran Airbus

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The United States admitted last night that one of its warships in the Gulf accidentally shot down an Iranian passenger aircraft, killing all 298 people on board.

President Reagan said the US "deeply regrets" the incident, calling it a "terrible human tragedy". He ordered the Pentagon to carry out a full investigation.

Admiral William Crowe, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told a press conference that the Aegis-class cruiser USS Vincennes shot down the Iran Air Airbus A300 over the Strait of Hormuz while actively engaged with Iranian surface units during a naval clash.

The ship's commander appears to have mistaken the Airbus, flying at 7,500 feet from Bandar Abbas to Dubai, for an F14 fighter. It warned the plane repeatedly to identify itself, and on receiving no reply, fired two missiles.

"It is our judgement, based on the information currently available, that the local commanders had sufficient reasons to believe their units were in jeopardy and they fired in self-defence," Admiral Crowe said.

The shooting, in circumstances reminiscent of the Soviet Union's downing of the South Korean

airliner KAL007 in 1983, raises the Gulf conflict to a new and dangerous level, and will lead to an enormous uproar both here and abroad. It is certain to provoke calls for a complete reassessment of US policy in the Gulf.

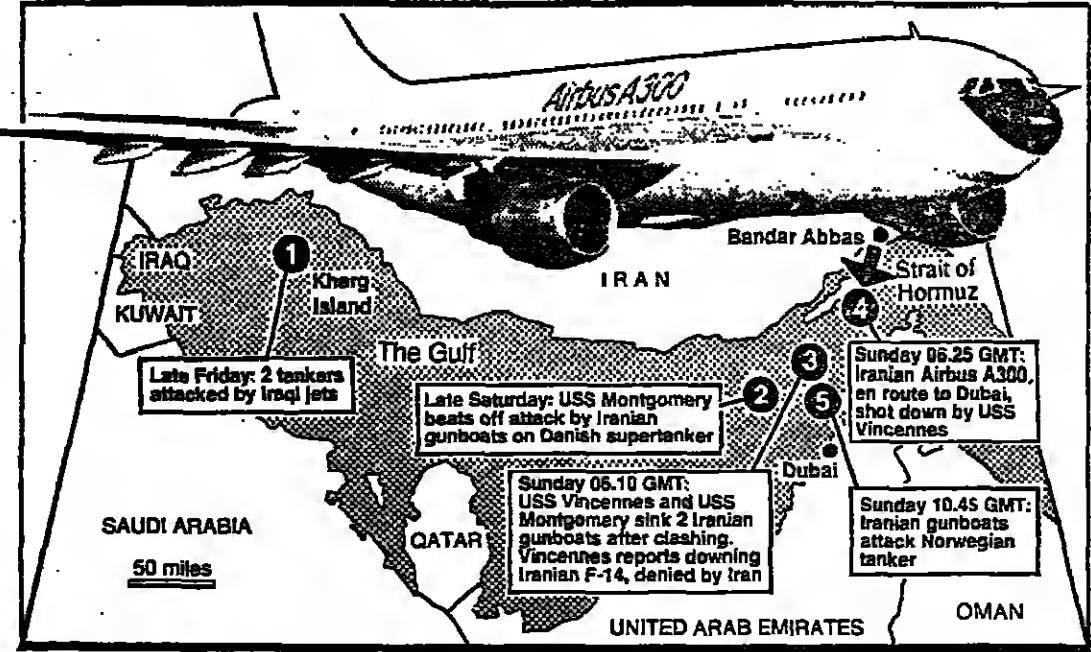
The US Government has not been in direct contact with Tehran over the incident. The Pentagon and State Department are now braced for retaliatory action by Iran.

Admiral Crowe said the sequence of events began when a helicopter from the Vincennes was fired on by Iranian naval units at 10.10am local time, about 40 minutes before the air action. The ship identified the Iranian firing units.

The Iranian gunboats turned toward the Vincennes at high speed and it opened up with gunfire - subsequently sinking two of the patrol boats.

During this engagement, the ship's radar detected what it believed was an F14 closing fast. There had been warnings that the Iranians were about to launch an attack on the US forces over the July 4 holiday, and US ships had recently observed new activity by Iranian F14s in the area. The aircraft was outside the prescribed commercial air corridor.

The ship's commander immediately began procedures for countering the threat, believing that the



plane was heading directly for the ship at 450 knots. Warnings were sent on civilian and military frequencies several times, but the Airbus neither responded nor changed course.

Admiral Crowe said the ship had electronic indications - which he would not reveal, saying they were classified - that the Airbus was an F14. It was declared hostile at 10.51am local time.

Three minutes later, when the

plane was nine miles away, the Vincennes fired two ship-to-air missiles. At least one hit at a range of about six miles.

Admiral Crowe said that the total context of the event had to be appreciated. He said the US had given a warning from the outset that the Gulf operation would involve risks.

He also expressed astonishment - and by implication blame - that Iran would allow civilian airliners

to take off over an area where their forces were attacking US naval targets.

Admiral Crowe said that under the new rules of engagement, US forces in the Gulf did not have to be shot at before responding to what they saw as hostile intent.

With some embarrassment, Admiral Crowe admitted that even the sophisticated radar of the Vincennes was not able to defy

the laws of physics" and identify a target head-on.

The airport at Bandar Abbas serves as both a military base, with reinforced concrete hangars for the F14s, and a civilian airstrip. There are parallel runways for military and civilian aircraft, and the airliner would have been flying directly towards the naval engagement zone when it was shot down.

Irna, the Iranian news agency, said witnesses on Hagam island off the Iranian coast saw the missiles hit the Airbus as it was flying at 7,500 feet. It said everyone on board was killed and that bodies of 100 people had been recovered.

"Most of the bodies were disintegrated. The naval frogmen also have discovered pieces of the plane showing that the plane had been hit by a missile," Irna reported.

The incident came a day after the USS Montgomery went to the aid of a Danish merchant ship, which radioed for help after coming under Iranian attack. It was the first time the United States had helped a non-US flag carrier since Mr Frank Carlucci, the Defence Secretary, announced that emergency assistance would be given to any non-combatant ship that came under attack.

ROME: An Italian naval vessel was heading towards the area where the airliner was shot down (Reuters reports). Officials said the frigate Espero, on escort duties in the Gulf, would help to search for survivors.

## Reagan saddened by 'human tragedy'

By Our Foreign Staff

In a statement on the shooting down of the Iranian Airbus, read last night by Mr Martin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, President Reagan said:

"I am saddened to report that it appears that in a proper defensive action by the USS Vincennes this morning in the Persian Gulf an Iranian airliner was shot down over the Strait of Hormuz."

"This is a terrible human tragedy. Our sympathy and condolences go out to the passengers, crew and their families."

"The Defence Department will conduct a full investigation. We deeply regret any loss of life."

"The course of the Iranian civilian airliner was such that it was headed directly for the USS Vincennes, which was at the time engaged with five Iranian Boghammer boats that had attacked our forces."

"When the aircraft failed to heed repeated warnings, the Vincennes followed standing orders and widely publicized

procedures, firing to protect itself against possible attack.

"The only US interest in the Persian Gulf is peace, and this tragedy reinforces the need to achieve that goal with all possible speed."

Later, Admiral William Crowe, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said:

"Having received data and evaluating information available from the Persian Gulf we believe the cruiser Vincennes, while actively engaged with threatening Iranian surface units and protecting itself from what was concluded to be a hostile aircraft, shot down an Iranian airliner over the Strait of Hormuz."

"The US Government deeply regrets this incident. A full investigation will be conducted but it is our judgement, that based on the information currently available, the local commanders had sufficient

reasons to believe their units were in jeopardy and they fired in self defence.

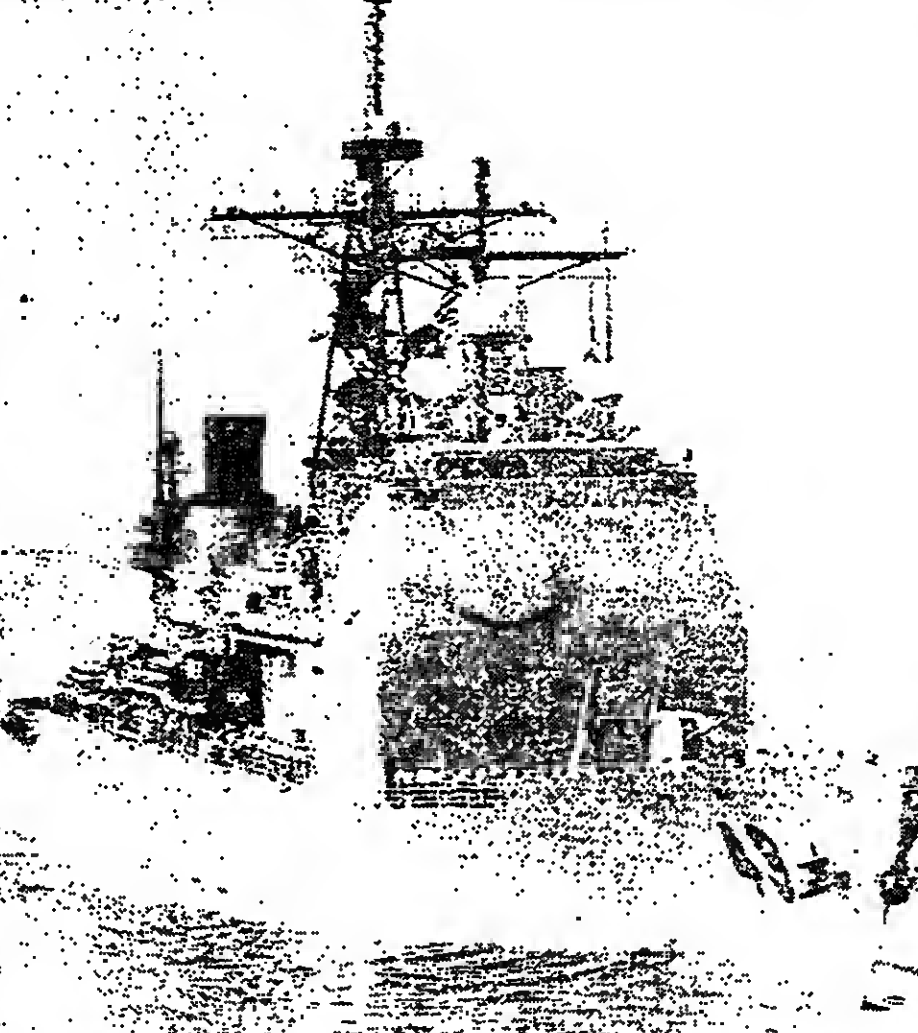
"The sequence of events commenced when Vincennes's helicopter was fired upon by Iranian surface units at 10.10am local Gulf time, approximately 40 minutes before the air action."

"Subsequently the Vincennes identified the Iranian firing units and closed to engage. The Iranian gunboats turned towards Vincennes at high speed and were engaged at 10.42 with gunfire from the cruiser and the frigate Albert B Montgomery."

"While so involved Vincennes detected an aircraft over Iran at about 10.47am. This aircraft headed towards the Vincennes and commenced closing at high speed. Vincennes immediately began assessing this new threat."

"The suspect aircraft was outside the subscribed commercial air corridor. More importantly, the aircraft headed directly for Vincennes

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Guided missile cruiser: The USS Vincennes, from which the fatal missiles were fired.

## Schools to act against crime

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

The Government is to direct its latest attack on violence, disorder and crime at children as young as seven. After deliberations in a Cabinet committee, Home Office and Education ministers believe they must begin as early as that to tackle "the roots of criminality".

In an attempt to restore social order, children will be taught about the consequences of crime, school governors will be given "awareness training" and a "moral dimension" will be added to the new national curriculum.

Concern about increasing lawlessness, drunken brawling and football hooliganism is rapidly mounting in the Government.

At the recent economic summit in Toronto, the Prime Minister raised his concern with the behavioural problems of young people with other heads of state and government.

She said that although Western industrial nations had gone a long way to solving

such problems as technological change, they had much to do in terms of teaching young people respect for the law.

She called for further research into the roots of criminality and asked why it was that some cities such as Toronto appeared to be comparatively crime-free while similar communities were not.

In an exclusive interview with *The Times*, Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office with responsibility for crime prevention, disclosed the new line of the Government's attack.

The next two meetings of the Cabinet committee on crime prevention will discuss violence and parenting.

Ministers want to revive the partnership between schools and parents to teach pupils the consequences of crime. Mr Kenneth Baker, the Education Secretary, is adamant that teachers cannot be expected to provide on their own lessons in behaviour that should be given at home.

Ministers are alarmed at police evidence of a number of cases in which young people have used knives, seemingly oblivious of the damage they are likely to cause. However, Mr Patten has been impressed with the value of experimental lessons pioneered by the Department of Education and Science.

Under the Crime, Law and Society Package initiative, children are shown the full consequences of crime. For

## 'Profound regret' by No 10

By Our Political Editor

Downing Street, in statement last night, said the Gulf accident "was a tragedy for all concerned". The Government profoundly regretted the loss of life on the airliner.

While defending "the right of forces engaged in... hostilities to defend themselves", the statement said the "tragic accident underlines the urgent need" for an end to the Gulf War and attacks on shipping.

Ministers do not expect any Iranian backlash to have more than a tangential effect on Britain. Any retaliation is expected to be directed against US targets and they do not believe that the incident will make it any more difficult to secure the release of British hostages.

Mrs Thatcher returned early from Chequers to Downing Street yesterday and was being kept in touch with events.

Relations between Britain and Iran have shown some improvement recently. The Gulf has always been seen as a separate issue - with the Iranians under notice that Britain will seek compensation for any vessels damaged.

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The £8,000 weekly prize was shared by four people on Saturday (see page 3) so the Portfolio Accumulator now stands at £110,000.

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**Safe Cinema**

General Cinema, the American company which makes an offer for Cadbury Schweppes, has made itself bid-proof.

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**Prost triumph**

Alain Prost, of France, won the French Grand Prix from Ayton Senna.

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## Wimbledon final spills into today

By Howard Foster

The climax of Wimbledon lasted just 22 minutes yesterday before heavy rain forced the postponement of the men's final, leaving Boris Becker and Stefan Edberg to complete the championship today.

It is the first time for 66 years that the men's title has been resolved on a Monday after the traditional closing weekend. The finalists, starting four-and-a-half hours late, had managed to complete only five games before the covers came on and the players went off. Edberg was leading 3-2.

The constant rain mortified spectators and tourists in and around the grounds of the All England Club. Tickets which had been sold in advance for £1,500 a pair were going for almost their face value of £25.

Several tourists who had ripped up tickets because of the weather had failed to appreciate exactly how the club would react. Earlier, the word was that preference

## Mortgage rate rise expected

By Our City Staff

Dearer home loans are likely to be announced this week if, as expected, bank base rates rise a further ¼ percentage point to 10 per cent.

Market pundits are saying that a fifth rise in base rates is on the cards with pessimists believing rates will increase by a full percentage point. Even a ½ point rise will herald double figure base rates for the first time since last October's stock market crash.

Any increase will trigger a rise in mortgage rates which have held at about 9.75 per cent in the face of four increases in base rates.

Last week's base rate move came too late for societies to announce higher mortgage rates from July 1. However, they should go up from the beginning of next month if base rates rise this week.

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## Reforms pledged after Cleveland

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

The Government is preparing to give total backing this week to the recommendations of the Cleveland inquiry into child sex abuse and incorporate them into the Bill on child care later this year.

Ministers are confident that the extensive reforms in the law governing child care already promised in the next session will go a long way to treating parents and children involved in abuse cases more humanely.

The draft Bill will be changed to take account both of Lord Justice Butler-Sloss's inquiry into the Cleveland scandal and the results of a year-old nationwide survey of child abuse which has just been completed by the Department of Health and Social Security.

The first stages of reforms to the legal system to take cases involving family matters out of criminal courts are also expected to be announced

## Tobacco company 'refused to sell safe cigarette'

By Robert Matthews Technology Correspondent

The tobacco industry developed a relatively safe cigarette in the early 1970s but refused to market it because of legal fears over the implication that earlier products were unsafe, a tobacco company scientist has alleged.

Dr James Mold, a research scientist at Liggett & Myers, the United States tobacco company, is to give details on *World In Action*, the ITV programme, tonight of a secret research project he directed to develop the cigarette.

Professor Richard Daynard, of the Northeastern University, Boston, an expert on smoking legislation, told *The Times* last night that Dr Mold's revelations could open the way for enough new legal cases to bankrupt

the tobacco industry. This is because plaintiffs could claim that they or their relatives suffered because the industry failed in its statutory duty to market any safer product it developed, he said.

The American research team made a fundamental breakthrough, which was subsequently patented, involving the use of a chemical catalyst to absorb the cancer-causing products in cigarettes. Dr Mold said: "We were able to get rid of the materials which were causing the cancers. We were ecstatic over the fact that we had done something that no-one in the world had been able to do."

He said plans to market the product were halted by company lawyers who were worried about the implications

of marketing a "safer cigarette" which would imply earlier products had been unsafe.

The company claimed that the cigarette was never marketed because of problems with its taste. However, in evidence to a US Congressional committee last week, Dr Mold said this was never a big issue.

He said he believes many lung cancer cases in Europe and the US thought to be related to smoking could have been averted. "It is very disappointing to have developed a product of this nature, which has the potential of saving literally tens of thousands of lives, and not be able to bring it to the market place."

The international tobacco industry's fears of legal action were

sharpened last month by a US court ruling that the Liggett group must pay about £250,000 to the husband of a woman who died of lung cancer after smoking for more than 40 years.

Mr David Simpson, director of the UK Action on Smoking and Health campaign, said "As ever, the tobacco industry appears to have put profits before people's health."

Professor Daynard said the tobacco industry could face the same fate as asbestos companies, many of which have been ruined financially by the size of claims by former employees.

He said there was growing evidence that at least one tobacco company was carrying out work on safer cigarettes as early as 1964, which could further increase the number of plaintiffs.



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NEWS ROUNDUP

Taxes for rich up 26% under Tories

The poorest two million taxpayers are paying nearly 20 per cent less income tax and national insurance contributions this year, in real terms, than they did when Labour was last in office, according to Treasury figures.

Jury to reconvene

The jury in the Brink's Mat gold bullion trial will resume deliberations at the Central Criminal Court today.

Terrorist detentions

Eight people held on the Isle of Man under the Prevention of Terrorism Act were released on Saturday without any charges being laid.

Royal sympathy

The Queen has expressed her sympathy to Miss Lilo Blum who has received notice to quit the Hyde Park riding stables she has run for 45 years.

3,000 jobs for Wales

More than 50 factories with the potential for 3,000 jobs are to be built in the valleys of South Wales by the Welsh Development Agency this year.

New Dimbleby show

Jonathan Dimbleby is to present BBC Television's new weekly political programme, On the Record, which starts in September.

Round Britain record

Royal Marines yesterday broke the record for the fastest circumnavigation of Britain. The nine men from 539 Assault Squadron, working in crews of three, completed the journey from Plymouth in 89 hours, 24 minutes and 10 seconds.

M50 killing and soccer thugs put crime in focus

Concern rises over law and order

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

Law and order issues are climbing sharply towards the top of the political agenda, according in the latest opinion poll evidence.

A MORI poll for Times Newspapers shows that public concern with law and order has climbed by 11 per cent over the past month while concern over other political issues has slipped back.

The latest official statistics show crime growing at only 1 per cent, compared with an annual rate of growth averaging 6 per cent over the past 30 years.

However, just at the point when Mr Kinnock, whose party had been steadily increasing its share of the vote in polls through the winter, was in a position to benefit from the tarnishing of the Government's image, arguments about Labour's defence policy and his style of leadership have resulted in the Government's lead being extended rather than cut.

There is further unwelcome news for Mr Kinnock in the poll. Over the past month concern over the health service has dropped from 44 to 35 per cent.

Meanwhile, concern with disarmament and nuclear weapons as a key issue has increased from 13 per cent to 17 per cent.

What would you say are the most important issues facing the country?

Table with 3 columns: Issue, May, Now, Change. Issues include Unemployment, NHS, Law and order, Disarmament/Nuclear weapons, Education, Pensions/Social Security, Housing, Local Govt/Poll tax, Economy.

MORI interviewed a representative quota sample of 1,836 adults aged 16 and over in 146 constituency sampling points throughout Great Britain.

drunken hawking by Britons abroad, and by the M50 murder case, in which a woman was killed after leaving children in her car to summon help for a breakdown.

34 per cent named law and order, up 11 per cent, while concern with unemployment dropped 4 per cent and with the health service by 9 per cent.

With the M50 case leading to much public debate on the lines of "Is any woman safe?", the pollsters found that men were even more concerned with law and order issues than women, at 35 per cent to 33 per cent.

There has been a particularly large jump in concern with crime among those aged between 35 and 54, the same age group as the M50 victim, a pregnant woman, with 37 per cent naming law and order, compared with only 22 per cent a month before.

Concern among pensioners is up from 31 per cent to 45 per cent, an increase of

14 per cent, and the concern is spread across all classes and regions.

Mr John Patten, the Minister of State at the Home Office with responsibility for crime prevention, said last night: "The Government has shown its determination to crack down hard on recent rises in violent crime which has caused such concern and by the very strong measures made available in the Criminal Justice Bill to stamp out knife-carrying, give the prosecution right of appeal against lenient sentences and much more."

"Another reason why the public are registering crime as a subject of such interest is because of the way the Government itself has been talking so much about the issue over the past year."

Football card law likely to go ahead

By Sheila Gunn Political Staff

Legislation is expected to be introduced forcing football authorities to implement a national membership scheme for supporters.

It is likely to be the centrepiece of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's fight to prevent city centres and the areas surrounding football grounds being disrupted by hooligans.

The Prime Minister is also considering tightening the law so that large areas, including city centres, can be declared "dry" when drunken hooliganism is forecast.

The legislation will give ministers the power to order clubs to ban fans from travelling to matches on special "soccer" trains or into grounds without a valid membership card.

The Prime Minister is keen to see membership schemes in place well before the new season starts. However, lack of parliamentary time may force her to delay the introduction of legislation until winter.

Her ultimatum to the football authorities will be issued on Wednesday at Downing Street. Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary; Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary; Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Environment Secretary; and Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Attorney General, will attend.

The ministers are also expected to discuss strengthening present laws to help the authorities tackle hooliganism in rural areas and abroad.

A policeman's service revolver was still missing yesterday after three RUC officers were set upon by hostile day-trippers in Millisle, Co Down on Saturday afternoon.

Ten people were arrested when police reinforcements were sent to the village after the constables were attacked as they arrested a suspected thief.

Vandalism and fighting, much of it drink-related, broke out in Kent, Essex, Shropshire, Hampshire, Berkshire, Lincolnshire, and Oxfordshire over the weekend.

Police Constable Richard Adair, aged 30, suffered a broken nose when he was head-butted in Southampton yesterday. In Gravesend, Kent, Police Constable Charlie Gray was assaulted by a drunken driver he tried to arrest.

Kinnock suffers from Labour conflict

By Our Political Editor

Mr Neil Kinnock's internal party battles, after his gyrations on defence policy, could not have come at a worse time for the Labour Party, the latest poll evidence shows.

The MORI poll for Times Newspapers discloses that public economic optimism, which is a key factor governing voting intentions, has fallen by 10 per cent since last month, after the recent pressure on the pound and seven changes in interest rates in 12 weeks.

However, just at the point when Mr Kinnock, whose party had been steadily increasing its share of the vote in polls through the winter, was in a position to benefit from the tarnishing of the Government's image, arguments about Labour's defence policy and his style of leadership have resulted in the Government's lead being extended rather than cut.

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Mr Kinnock takes over the baton to conduct a colliery band when he joined the fortieth birthday festival for the National Health Service at Alexandra Palace in north London yesterday.

subject any greater exposure for the nuclear weapons issue is likely to damage the party still further.

Examination of poll details suggests that it is among people opposed to Mr

Kinnock's non-nuclear policies that concern with the issue has increased.

The economic optimism index showed that in March and April 37 per cent of those polled believed that things

would get better and 26 per cent that they would get worse, a plus index of 11 per cent.

In May, those who believed that the economy would get worse over the next 12 months dropped to 22 per

cent, leaving a plus index figure of 15 per cent. But in June those showing confidence dropped by 5 per cent and those believing things would get worse rose by the same figure.

Nurse tells of roadside gun attack

A woman who feigned death after being attacked by a gunman described her experience yesterday.

Miss Helen Work was returning home to Home upon Spalding Moor, Humberstone, in her boy friend's jeep when, between North Cave and Hotham, the driver of the car behind her continually flashed his headlights.

She said she stopped because she thought the driver needed help, but he put a gun in her mouth and said: "I want your body". He butted her in the face with the pistol several times breaking her nose and knocking her in to a ditch.

But then the trainee midwife, aged 25, probably saved her life by pretending to be dead. The gunman drove off and she stumbled 250 yards to a farm in the dark where her brothers Philip and Mike Grant found her bleeding from face wounds. She told them: "I think I've been shot".

Miss Work's father, Mr Ralph Work, said: "Helen is trained to stay calm in distressing circumstances, but she is also trained to help people in distress. She thought this man required help so that's why she stopped. She is all right now, apart from being shocked and suffering from cuts and bruises."

The tubby gunman, who is about 5ft 3in and in his thirties, fired at least three shots as Miss Work put up a struggle.

The police said later there were "similarities" between the attack and the death on the M50 of Mrs Marie Wilks.

Kasparov sinks Short

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Nigel Short crashed to defeat in his thirteenth round game against Garry Kasparov, the world champion, in the World Chess Cup at Belfort, France.

Chess board diagram showing pieces and moves for Nigel Short and Garry Kasparov.

Overtime at record levels

By Tim Jones and Roland Rudd

The TUC today says that record amounts of overtime are threatening gains made by unions in securing shorter working hours.

The warning is based on the movement's latest "working time progress report", covering reductions affecting 500,000 employees, which is published as the TUC steps up its campaign for fewer working hours.

And yesterday Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, warned union leaders that they were heading for disaster if they did not raise their sights away from internal problems.

Trade unions outside the TUC meet the electricians today to discuss an alternative movement in the wake of the imminent suspension of the Electronic, Electrical, Telecommunications and Plumbing Union (EETPU).

The TUC report on working time showed that 36 per cent of manufacturing employees worked an average 5.5 hours a week overtime in September 1987 - the highest overtime levels since 1950.

The increase, the TUC says, jeopardizes reductions in working time and advances in job creation and clashes with a resolution passed at last year's conference which demanded the elimination of overtime except for safety, maintenance or emergencies.

Mr Willis, writing in this month's issue of the TUC Bulletin, urged trade union leaders to concentrate on the declining number of trade union members, which he described as the real problem facing the movement.

"We need to lift our sights away from the internal problems", he wrote.

Mr Willis has told EETPU that there can be no question of extending this Thursday's deadline instructing it to comply with dispute committee rulings to scrap two no-strike deals.

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Stricter contracts planned Spycatcher loophole will be closed

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The Government is determined to press on with drawing up a new contract for all members of the security and intelligence services to discourage any repetition of the Spycatcher affair.

At the same time changes in the civil law, to prevent Civil Servants disclosing state secrets, will be prepared by the Government at the end of the Spycatcher hearings. These follow proposed criminal law changes announced last week.

The harsher civil sanctions expected to be introduced are likely to attract far greater criticism than the proposals by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, for reforming Section Two of the Official Secrets Act.

Last week's White Paper on

Section Two made it clear that any member or past member of the security services who disclosed any information about his work would face immediate prosecution.

While the proposals effectively closed the door on breaches of secrecy by insiders in this country, the loophole of M15 and M16 members writing their memoirs from a safe haven abroad remained.

A new contract of employment being considered by officials at the Cabinet Office and in the Attorney General's office is likely to include a clause warning intelligence officers that they will forfeit their pension rights if they breach their lifelong duty of confidentiality.

The Government hopes this

tough new measure will act as sufficient disincentive for retired members of M15 and M16.

Mr Peter Wright, the former M15 officer, escaped punishment by the Government because once he went to live in Tasmania he was outside the jurisdiction of British courts.

Officials at Number 10 have been examining the possibility of a special contract for security and intelligence officers for some time, although it is not apparently proving an easy exercise.

There is pressure to introduce a formal system under which manuscripts written by past members of the services could be properly examined and deletions made. This system is used successfully in

the United States for former members of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The final judgement from the House of Lords on the Government's long-running battle to prevent publication of Mr Wright's Spycatcher memoirs is expected later in the summer.

The Government is already expecting the secrets Bill to be the most contentious piece of legislation before Parliament in the next session. There was a revolt among many of its own backbenchers over the attempt by the Conservative MP Mr Richard Shepherd to reform Section Two.

Conservative MPs concerned with the new Bill are planning to meet this week to discuss how to try to amend it.

Ordination of women law goes before Synod

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Editor

Legislation to authorize the ordination of women to the priesthood will be presented for preliminary approval when the General Synod of the Church of England meets in London today.

Paralleling legislation to make compensation available to clergy unable to accept the change will also be before the synod. The debates correspond with the second reading of a parliamentary Bill, and are regarded as a test of principles. If passed, the draft

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Rebel priest declares war on the Vatican

By Patrick O'Hanlon

A Roman Catholic priest told a congregation of members of Archbishop Lefebvre's Society of St Pius X yesterday that war against the Vatican had begun.

Father Gregory Sim, whose homily in English at the church of St Joseph and Padarn, at Islington, north-east London, contrasted with the rest of the Latin Mass, said: "The events of the past week have given us the priests and the bishops to ensure the continuation of the true Mass."

"The war has begun", he said, quoting Bishop Williamson at the consecration of four bishops, all now excommunicated, by Archbishop Lefebvre in Switzerland last week.

Father Sim said: "How many have been brought up Catholics and now no longer attend church and are in a state of mortal sin? The Holy Father is somewhat to blame."

He said there was no schism because no alternative hierarchy had been set up. Vatican offer, page 6

Electronic IQ tests may identify dementia

By Robert Matthews Technology Correspondent

British scientists yesterday revealed that they have found a way of measuring IQ electronically in a 10-minute test.

The technique, which is also undergoing trials as a potentially quick yet reliable test for senile dementia, has been developed by Mrs Paulette Robinson, senior research fellow at the Roben's Institute in Guildford, Surrey, in collaboration with Surrey University and Medelec Medical Electronics, of Woking.

The researchers said 50 children,

aged six to nine, had their IQ measured using electrodes fixed to the scalp, headphones and computers. The electrodes picked up the tiny electrical impulses passing between cells in certain parts of the brain known to be associated with the ability in recall information.

Previous studies have suggested that information retrieval is closely related to the cognitive performance, including intelligence, of humans.

Different stimuli, such as sounds and sights, were given to the test subjects, and then repeated. The electronics then monitored the ability

of the brain to recall the similarity of the stimuli.

The children's scores were compared with the results of conventional IQ tests and found to match very closely. However, fears of abuse of the technique have led the research team to play down the IQ measurement aspects of their work.

"We were approached at one stage by a company which wanted to find low IQ people who would not get fed up doing a boring job", Dr Neil Robinson, head of research at Medelec, said.

The team refused to co-operate. It

is now working on using the technique to develop a small electronic unit which could be used in doctors' surgeries to diagnose senile dementia at an early stage.

More than 300 adults have been tested in developing a screening programme for dementia, which is now being used at the Surrey Royal County Hospital, Guildford.

Dr Robinson said yesterday that early diagnosis of senile dementia will become particularly important with the advent of drugs to combat Alzheimer's disease, a common form of the condition.

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# Special police unit chosen for abuse cases in Cleveland

By Peter Davenport

Det Inspector Peter Wilson's office looks like any other: walls decorated with charts and duty rotas, functional furniture, the litter of half-empty coffee cups.

Only a row of grey files bearing the titles "Child Enticement", "Child Abuse - Items of Interest" and "Wardship Cases" distinguishes his office from those in other small-town police stations.

They are an indication of the always-sensitive, often painful and frequently distressing nature of the cases he investigates.

Mr Wilson heads the Cleveland Police Child Sexual Abuse Unit, formed on July 1 last year, and now on call around the clock to deal with suspected cases of child sexual abuse.

The idea of a central investigation unit with specialist officers was in the pipeline late in 1986. However, the unfolding crisis in Cleveland during the first half of last year gave the creation of the unit an urgent impetus.

It is now housed in a small suite of offices on the first floor of the local police station in the pleasant market town of Yarm.

Mr Wilson's eight colleagues - four male, four female - are all married, most of them with families, and the daily round of dealing with cases of sexual abuse against children, ranging from the most minor forms of illicit touching to horrific sexual assaults, can easily become depressing.

The senior officers in the unit are constantly on the look-out for such signs among their junior colleagues. Mr

More than 100 Australian parents who claim they have been falsely charged with sexually abusing their children are to launch damages suits against the state government of South Australia. The parents claim welfare officers broke up families with allegations that they had sexually abused their children. Only a handful have been convicted.

In most cases, the evidence against parents was judged to be inconclusive after challenges by medical officials and lawyers. At the centre of the controversy is a centre established in 1978 at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Adelaide, which assesses cases of suspected child abuse. Referrals have risen steadily from 86 in 1982 to 518 last year, amid claims of incompetence and over-zealousness.

Wilson, aged 40 and with four children, said: "People might think it's a depressing field of work, but if we do our job right, then we have helped a child. That in itself is a lift."

Unlike other forces, where the victim and the abuser are often dealt with by officers from different sections, the Cleveland unit has complete control of cases.

During the inquiry into the Cleveland crisis under Lord Justice Butler-Sloss, there was evidence of a breakdown in working relationships between the police, social services and the two consultant paediatricians involved, Dr Marietta Higgs and Dr Geoffrey Wyatt.

There were allegations that social workers wanted to keep police out of cases of child sexual abuse.

Much of Mr Wilson's early

work involved meeting fences and forging new working relationships, not just with the social services, but also with agencies such as the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and the National Children's Homes.

He says relationships are good again and there are regular training courses attended by officers from his team and members of the other agencies.

The main benefits of a specialist unit, he says, have been in providing a standard response to investigations; the ability of detectives to develop skills in a particularly difficult and sensitive area; and better, more understanding treatment for victims.

"I tell my officers to listen to what the child is saying and then make an informed judgement", he says. "But one must bear in mind the effect of making such an allegation against a person. It is a difficult crime to investigate."

Investigations are undertaken jointly by a detective and a social worker. Where possible, medical examinations are carried out jointly by a police surgeon and a paediatrician to avoid the stress of repeated examinations.

The aims of police and social workers in the past have often seemed to be at odds: social services have as their first priority the protection of the child, while police must gather evidence for the prosecution of abusers.

"For me, the two aims meet", Mr Wilson says. "The final analysis is always to protect the child. Sometimes the only way of doing that is by its removal from home."

# Classic car highlights a driving force



David and Joan Baylis shelter under their umbrellas as they drive their 1933 MG J2 yesterday at the Bromley Pageant of Motoring classic car show in Kent, where more than 2,500 vehicles, exhibited by 104 clubs, were on display. (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance)

## Consumer watchdog urges greater privacy

Banks, credit card companies, and building societies should treat financial information about borrowers as confidential, the National Consumer Council says in a report published today.

The Government's consumer watchdog organization calls for stricter controls to ensure that credit reference agencies - which collect details about people's creditworthiness from financial institutions - do not use this information without the bor-

rowers' knowledge and agreement.

The report says personal financial information has become an important commercial resource which can be used for marketing goods and services by highlighting potential customers.

A survey carried out for the council showed that almost 70 per cent of those questioned wanted their banks or building societies to state that customers' financial matters were private.

## Portfolio - PLUS NEW - Accumulator Win puts an end to wife's teasing

Mr Alan Lane put an end once and for all to his wife's teasing about his regular checks of Portfolio at the weekend by winning £2,000 in the competition.

Mr Lane, aged 42, who is from Haywards Heath, West Sussex, said: "Bridget always teases me about checking the numbers and never winning. But when I realized I had won it was very nice to turn round to her and say it was worth checking after all."

He is one of the four winners of Saturday's £8,000 weekly prize. He will put the money towards a two-week holiday to Yugoslavia with his wife and their three children.

Mr Alan Monaghan, of Wareham, Dorset, had to check his calculations five times before he was able to believe he had won. "The only thing I had won was £135 on the pools which was shared between three of

us," said Mr Monaghan aged 45, who is a press and public relations officer for Dorset social services.

Mr Richard Budworth, aged 34, a London barrister, also won £2,000. "I'm going to use the money to pay the balance on some pictures, part of a holiday to the Far East, and cover some debts. The list is endless", he said. Mr R. W. McLaren, of Oxshott, Surrey, also wins £2,000.

## Gibraltar inquest

# Bomb evidence is missing

By Tony Dawe and Dominique Searle

Vital evidence relating to the killing of three IRA terrorists by the SAS in Gibraltar is still missing, although a preliminary hearing into the deaths begins on the Rock today.

Mr Felix Pizzarello, the Gibraltar Coroner, has yet to receive any evidence about the terrorists' movements in Spain before they were killed or about the car bomb they had assembled there.

The British Government has made repeated requests to Spain for the information. As the need for it became urgent last week Gibraltar officials were in touch twice daily with the British Embassy in Madrid.

The evidence is important as it will explain how much the SAS knew about the terrorist plans and why the soldiers were prepared to

shoot to kill. Its absence is an important reason for the delay in holding the inquest, which was originally planned to start last week.

The Spanish police co-operated with British intelligence in the build-up to the killing, tracking the terrorists from their base on the Costa del Sol to the frontier and later discovering in Marbella the bomb they had planned to detonate on the Rock.

However, passing that evidence to a Gibraltar court, which the Spanish refuse to recognize, has proved far more difficult.

The British Government began diplomatic moves to obtain the information more than two months ago. At the end of April it handed the Spanish Government in Madrid a special legal document

in the form of a questionnaire, known as a "comission rogatoire".

That document is now passing through the Spanish legal system and requires statements by police officers in Madrid, Malaga, and La Li- oea, across the frontier from Gibraltar, to be sworn before local magistrates.

The Foreign Office said in Loodoo last night: "The commission rogatoire will enable the statement by Spanish police officers to be presented as direct evidence in a Gibraltar court and we understand that all is proceeding normally with it".

The hearing was requested by the British Government to set the terms for members of the SAS to appear at the inquest and to decide what evidence will be called.

## Setback for opera house plan

By Andrew Billen

The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, is facing a big setback in its proposed £100 million redevelopment.

English Heritage's local advisory committee will be told on Wednesday that officers believe the opera house should think again about demolishing two eighteenth-century buildings in Long Acre.

If the committee agrees, English Heritage could refuse permission to redevelop the site. Officers argue that the listed buildings were originally residential properties and could be reconverted.

A report recommends general acceptance of the scheme.

The Covent Garden Community Association has lodged an application at the Court of Appeal to set aside a decision by Westminster City Council last week to grant formal planning consent.

## Company chiefs' salaries top £1m

By Roland Rudd

Rising profits have pushed earnings of some company directors above £1 million a year for the first time, a survey of the 2,000 fastest growing private companies disclosed today.

Two directors of a London-based electronics trading company received an average of £1,150,000, or £44,000 a week each, easily exceeding last year's record of £783,600.

The report by the Growth Companies Register shows that I M O Precision Controls' profits rose by 50 per cent to £2,414,000 and that the salaries of Mr Maurice Hatter and Mr Montague Digby Cutts, the two directors, amounted to £2,303,000.

The salaries are in contrast to those of directors who worked for the fastest growing company, Electro Acoustic Industries, which supplies loud-

speakers to industry. Its profits rose by nearly 4,000 per cent from £12,000 to £487,000, although its six directors share just £163,000 - an average of £522 a week. I M O Precision Controls is ranked as the 1,615th fastest growing private business in Britain.

The company with the highest profits is Robert Stephens Holdings, a management and industrial holding group. Its latest trading year profits nearly tripled to £77 million.

Mr Roy Assersohn, the compiler of the register, said yesterday that the figures showed how well private companies and owner-managers were doing in the "enterprise culture".

Growth Companies Register 1988 (Financial Publishing, Regency House, 1-4 Warwick Street, London W1R 5WA; two volumes, £95 each).

## Meeting of multiple minds

By Ian Smith

Unsuspecting visitors thought they were seeing double, treble or even worse when they gingerly stepped on to the lawn of the Earl of Bradford's home at Weston Park yesterday.

Surrounding them were lines of feeding bottles, rows of damp nappies, double-seater buggies and a cacophony of exuberant young voices from 500 members of Britain's most unusual families.

Indeed, it was the country's largest gathering of twins, triplets and quads to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Twins and Multiple Birth Association.

Obviously inspired by the Earl's family motto, "Neither Rashly Nor Timidly", young couples had enthusiastically set about establishing a family

line, which in some cases seemed to go on and on.

Watching over the occasion was Dr Elizabeth Bryan, joint founder of the association and a leading expert on multiple birth families.

Arranging for the meeting at the Earl's seventeenth-century house in Staffordshire was as much a therapeutic occasion as a social one, for the arrival of twins, quins or sextuplets can often put parents under enormous stress.

Many such mothers often find themselves isolated.

Problems with multiple births were first recognized by Dr Bryan 15 years ago and in 1976 she established a twins club in York.

Today there are 200 such clubs offering support and counselling to parents of the

7,000 pairs of twins born each year.

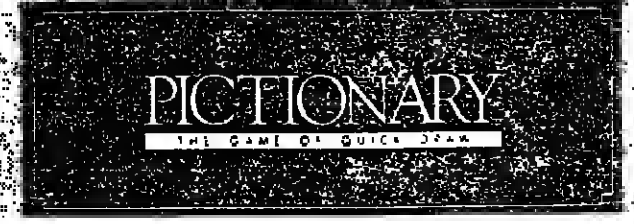
Help is also offered to families of triplets whose numbers have increased from between 60 and 90 to 123 in the past 12 months, in addition to the three or four groups of quads and quins.

Dr Bryan opened the first clinic for four children families next to the twins' clinic at the Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, west London, where she is a consultant paediatrician.

She is also a member of a team undertaking a study of triplets born in this country, and which is appealing to parents willing to take part to contact the Office of Population and Census Survey at St Catherine's House, Kingsway, central London.



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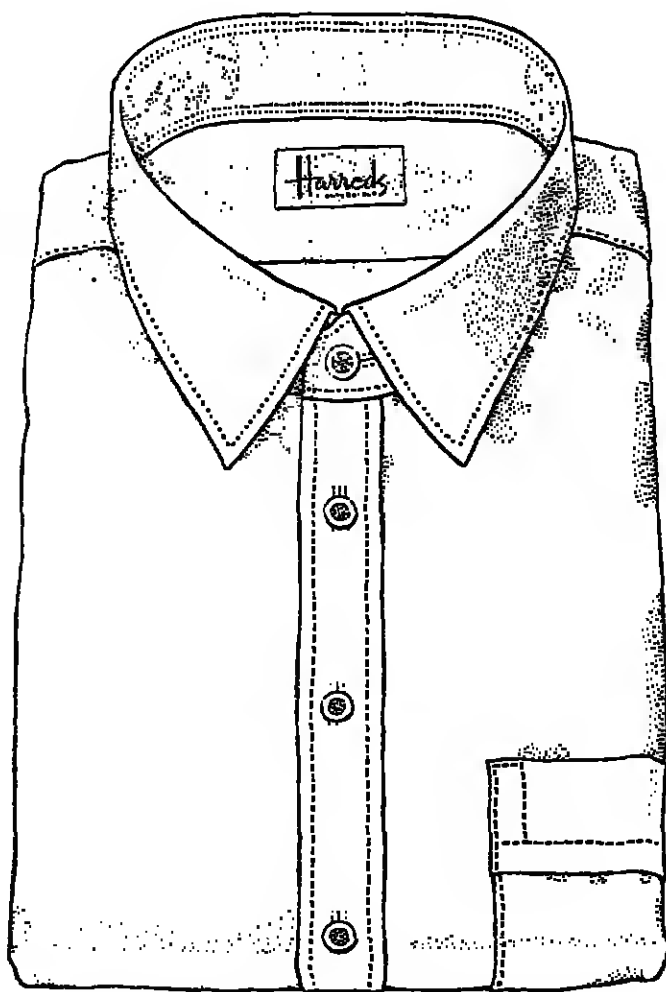
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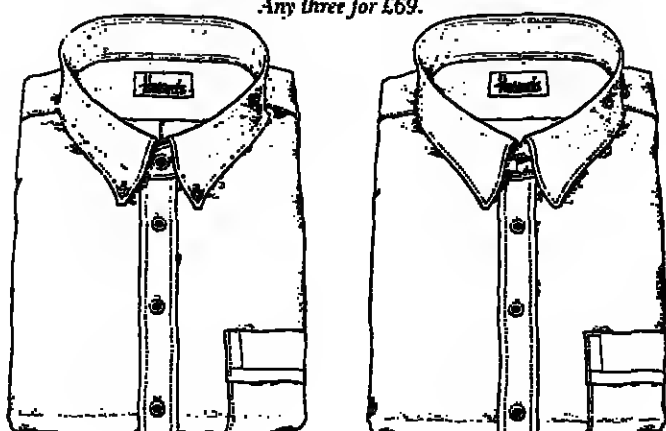
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# UK defence policy is criticized for 'drifting aimlessly'

Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The Government was accused yesterday of failing to adapt its defence strategy to a changing political environment and of having no clear understanding of the direction in which it is moving.

Dr Christopher Coker, a lecturer in international relations at the London School of Economics and a long-standing critic of British defence policy, accused Conservatives of being trapped in events that they could neither arrest nor reverse.

In a report published by the Institute for European Defence and Strategic Studies, he said that unlike other government departments, the Ministry of Defence had escaped the Prime Minister's "cultural revolution" and needed to be "Thatcherized".

Apart from a small group of about 30 Tory MPs, many of them "old warhorses", most Conservative Party members remained "ignorant and supine" about defence, the report said.

Dr Coker's attack on the Government's continued refusal to consider an all-embracing defence review comes after similar criticism by the Commons defence select committee in its report on the strength of the Royal Navy, published last week. Dr

Coker said that nine years after Mrs Thatcher had come to power, the ministry remained as Sir John Nott found it in 1981 when he became Secretary of State for Defence - "a huge super-tanker, well-captained, well-engineered, well-crewed, its systems continuously updated", but drifting aimlessly in an unknown direction.

The only difference today was that instead of a super-tanker, the image was of "a luxury cruise liner, with its Tory Party passengers dozing on the promenade deck".

Dr Coker accused Tory MPs on the defence select committee of being ignorant and complacent on defence issues. As a result, he said, they had failed to devise policies which would enable them to deal with the reality now confronting them.

He added: "For what are they to make of a Government which has questioned the value of greater European co-operation, only to buy the ludicrously expensive European fighter aircraft (EFA)."

"There can be no doubt that what the Government has failed to provide is what an alliance most needs during a time of transition and crisis - a sense of purpose, as well as a clear understanding of the

direction in which it is moving."

He suggested that in the next general election, defence was unlikely to prove such an instant vote-winner for the Conservatives as it did in 1987.

"It is the Tories who now appear to be encouraging the most dangerous trends of all - dragging their feet as Nato heads towards a nuclear-free world, protesting helplessly as France and West Germany pool their resources, and trumpeting their belief in a special relationship with the United States which appears to be ending, not in a dramatic divorce, but in a quiet and unremarkable parting of the ways."

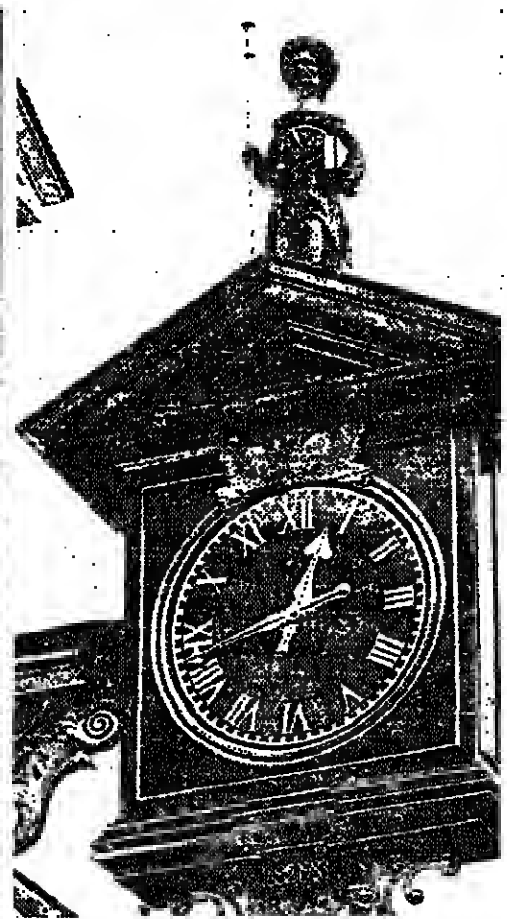
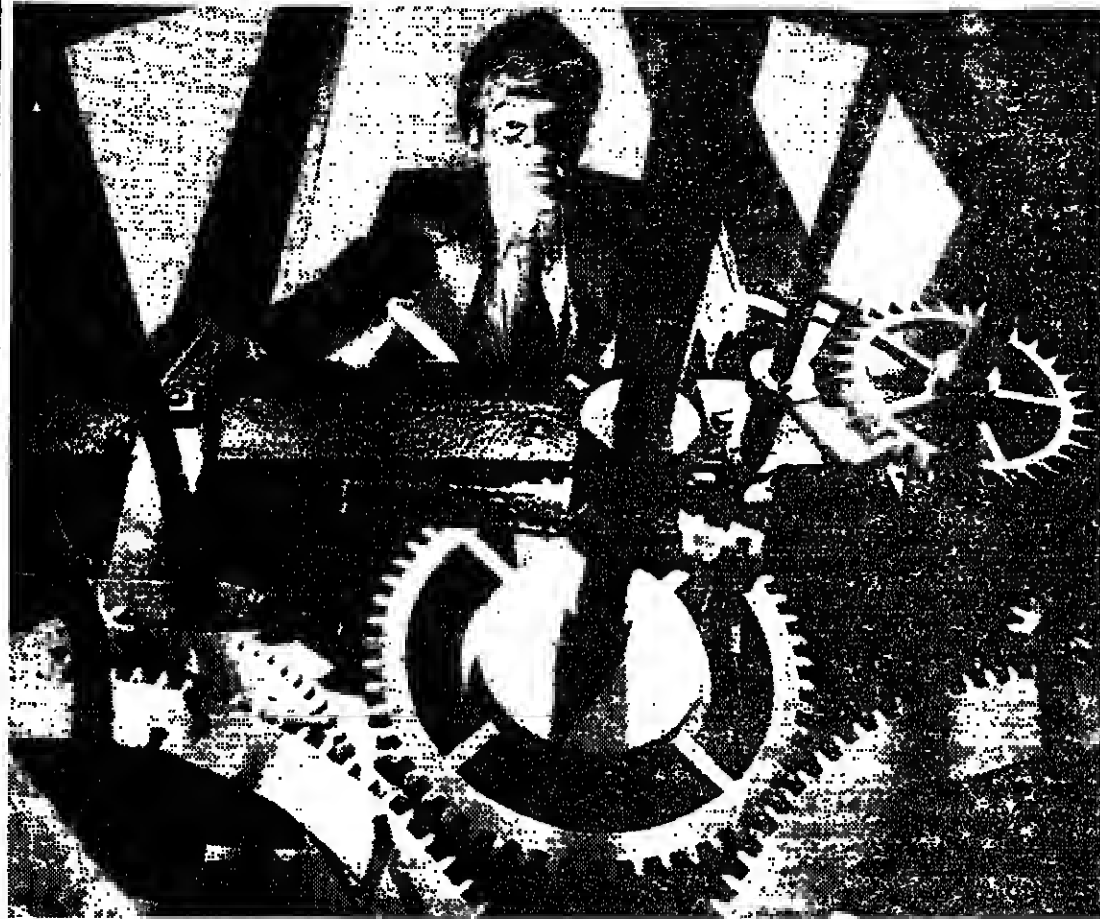
In his report, Dr Coker said that defence, like foreign affairs, should have been an "eminently suitable case for treatment" by Mrs Thatcher.

However, the Government had denied itself the opportunity to influence events partly because of its own unwillingness to recognize changing realities.

"Far from sailing in the vanguard of history, Thatcher's ship of state is listing in its wake."

Less Important Than Opulence, by Dr Christopher Coker (Institute for European Defence and Strategic Studies; £4.50).

# Blitzed City church clock chimes again



Mr Peter Watkinson, who rebuilt the clock mechanism of St James's, Garrickhythe, and St James atop the restored City clock (Photographs: Mark Pepper).

A 300-year-old chime will soothe the nerves of City of London motorists for the first time today after the restoration of the twin-dialled turret clock on the west wall of St James's church, Garrickhythe.

The clock, capped by a painted statue of St James the Great, was severely damaged on the night of December 27, 1941, when the great baroque bracket from which the dials hang was hit by an incendiary bomb,

sending the clock crashing to the ground 30ft below. The clock and its bell were re-dedicated yesterday by the church rector, the Rev John Paul, at a service attended by several masters of City livery companies.

St James's, built by Christopher Wren, lies half-way between Mansion House and Southwark Bridge. It was opened in 1682, 16 years after its medieval predecessor was destroyed in the Great Fire.

The church's 98 ft spire partly overlooks the site of the ancient wharf, or bith, where Londoners once bought their garlic. It confronts the livery hall of the vintners, whose company provided half of the £80,000 cost of restoration.

The project was conceived less than a year ago by Mr Michael Fairbank, retiring Master of the Vintners, who cut the first slice of a big iced cake shaped as a replica of the clock at the outdoor ceremony.

The restoration of the clock was coordinated by Mr Michael Giles, a noted interior decorator, who is a church warden at St James's.

The wooden bracket and stam, which weigh 1.5 tons, including 7 cwt of lead, were carved recently by Mr Charles Griffin, aged 77, in less than 10 weeks. The new mechanism was built by Mr Peter Watkinson, of Chard, Somerset, and the bell was refitted by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

# Ethnic growth nears 90,000

By David Walker, Public Administration Correspondent

Britain's ethnic minority population is growing by about 90,000 people a year, according to calculations by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys.

In contrast, the total population of Great Britain is increasing by about 130,000 a year.

Increases in the Asian community are significant, since there is a net rise each year of 55,000 in the number of people of Indian, Pakistani and Bangladeshi descent.

Asians considerably outnumber blacks in the ethnic minority population. Together those two groups number 1.9 million.

Other minorities, including

Chinese and Arabs, total 530,000.

In 1981 the ethnic minority population was estimated at 2,090,000, and it had grown by the middle of the decade to a figure of around 2,430,000.

The office said in a recent bulletin that the vast majority of young black women, at ages when women tend to be at their most fertile, are British born.

Although a majority of Asian women of child-bearing age were born overseas, additions to the Asian population will increasingly come from Asian young women who were born in the United Kingdom.

The office confirms that

birth rates among black women are fairly similar to those among British women at large.

However, fertility levels among women born in the Indian sub-continent are still markedly above those for British-born women.

The statisticians are wary of offering firm predictions about whether Asian birth rates will fall in the future.

In the mid-1980s, the surplus of births over deaths in the Asian community accounted for a net increase each year of 36,000.

Immigration added around another 19,000 people a year.

Population Trends 52 (Stationery Office; £5).

# Baker's student loan scheme delayed

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

Plans drawn up by the Secretary of State for Education to introduce a system of top-up loans for students have suffered a setback at the hands of the Government's parliamentary business managers.

Mr Kenneth Baker's aim was to have the necessary loan legislation ready for inclusion in the autumn parliamentary programme.

However, he has been told there is no room for the measure and it will have to wait at least until next spring before it can be featured in the legislative timetable.

Senior sources said Mr Baker failed to persuade Cabinet colleagues to give the scheme priority over other legislation.

Mr Baker took something of a political risk by making known his support for loans, while an inquiry into student support, chaired by Mr Robert Jackson, his higher education minister, was still under way. Its report is expected to be completed later in the summer.

The plan is to freeze student grants and offer top-up loans of up to £2,000, repayable over 10 years.

Education ministers have already had talks with high street banks and building societies about a loans system underwritten by the Treasury.

Mr Baker believes that loans would make it easier for groups like women and the ethnic minorities to study for degrees by freeing them from dependence on the means-tested grant.

The loan plan has been criticized by the National Union of Students, however, which says that only a substantial increase in funding will compensate for a 20 per cent fall in the real value of the student grant since 1979.

Attempts by the University Grants Committee to rationalize accountancy teaching have run into trouble, with Newcastle University intending to defy plans to close its accountancy department.

A UGC report published last month said Newcastle, Aberdeen and Leeds universities should close their departments unless they could attract more staff.

However, Professor Laurence Martin, Newcastle's vice-chancellor, in a strongly worded letter to Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer, chairman of the UGC, says the univer-

sity will not give up its accountancy degrees without a fight.

He says he has the backing of leading accountancy firms in the North-east.

In the letter, which will be delivered to the UGC today, Professor Martin said he had the backing of leading accountancy firms in the North East for his stand against the UGC.

Oxford University's Bodleian Library will launch an appeal for £12 million to maintain its position as one of the world's leading libraries, at a dinner marking the 500th anniversary of the oldest part of the library on Tuesday evening.

The dinner will be attended by Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, the university's vice-chancellor, and 240 businessmen, literary and media figures.

# Classroom violence is disputed

By Our Education Reporter

Claims by teachers' unions that schools face a rising tide of violence were attacked yesterday as "exaggerated and misleading".

The Children's Legal Centre, a left-of-centre pressure group which campaigns for greater rights for children, said the public had been misled by "flawed teacher union surveys based on unrepresentative samples and vague, unreliable questions".

The centre will today deliver its formal submission to the government inquiry into classroom discipline, chaired by Lord Elton, which claims the secret of good behaviour lies in teachers treating pupils "fairly and with respect".

It calls for a "Pupils' Charter", the appointment of an education ombudsman to support children's rights and the establishment of grievance procedures so that pupils can make formal complaints about their teachers.

"Petty and unnecessary" school rules should be dropped and action taken to ensure pupils are not suspended from school for "trivial" offences, it adds.

Governors at the 2,233-pupil Exmouth Community College, Britain's highest comprehensive school, have approved a uniform which includes a sweatshirt emblazoned with the school badge, in an attempt to cut costs for parents while retaining an official school uniform.

Parents and pupils may stay with blazers and ties if they wish.

The parent-teacher association at Westminster City School, central London, has appointed Britain's first parent organizer to recruit and involve parents in all aspects of the school's life.

The first nationwide survey of problems encountered in the introduction of the General Certificate of Secondary Education is to be launched this week by the Labour Party. Pupils, teachers, parents and local authorities will report on the problems they have encountered.

# WHITEHALL BRIEF by David Walker

## Hazy outlook forecast for the weather office

At a cost of about £2 million a year the Meteorological Office flies a converted Hercules transport on weather monitoring and data-gathering trips.

The flights, like the Met Office's running expenses, are paid out of the RAF budget. But the squadron leaders say they could use that aircraft more usefully in the defence of the realm. What, the air commodores ask, do trips by meteorologists to international scientific gatherings have to do with organizing strike missions into the heart of Eastern Europe?

The Met Office answer is twofold. Accurate weather forecasting is a vital term in the defence equation, which is why weather men and women are in position on air bases ready to put on gas masks and protective clothing and forecast while the flak flies.

But yes, you are right, the Met Office says to the RAF: it is something of an administrative nonsense that the Met Office, providing both forecasts for the Six O'Clock News and estimates for J.Sainsbury of next week's temperature (so they can organize the salads) should be a child of one of the armed services. An even bigger anomaly is that the RAF, budget, in paying for the Met Office, pays for free weather information for rivals in the Army and, to a lesser extent, the Royal Navy too.

A separate status for the Met Office has been discussed for a long time - it



Mr Peter Fraser, mastermind of the new status of the Met Office, is a much reviewed body. The idea surfaced again in February when the Prime Minister announced her acceptance of the report, The Next Steps, and the idea of agency status for discreet chunks of Whitehall's work.

Last week there arrived on the desk of Sir Michael Quinlan, Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Defence, a report recommending that the Met Office become such an entity, answerable to the ministry's central administration, with its own budget and (no small innovation in a department where letting a contract can take a year of paper pushing) its own legal and contract capability.

Agency status thus offers the prospect of decoupling from the air divisions of the Ministry of Defence,

though not from the ministry itself, despite the fact the Met Office's academic and public interest role goes far wider than defence.

The ministry has simultaneously been cautious and, in the Government's terms, very radical. One of the options considered for the Met Office has been privatization, which has been the fate of large chunks of the ministry's outwork in the royal docks and elsewhere.

Sir Michael and Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, are, however, likely to favour administrative devolution via agency status, though no one is pretending it will make the political arguments in favour of reducing spending on public service weather forecasting disappear.

Mr Peter Fraser, a former Army officer, is the Met Office's secretary, its chief administrative officer and the man who along with its other tasks will have to mastermind the planning of its new status. The Met Office, he avers, is not just a chunk of administrative work like - he stops himself - some other candidates for agency status.

Prominent among its 2,300 staff at Bracknell, Berkshire, and a host of outstations is a specialist breed of scientists: about 10 per cent of its budget goes on research. It is, moreover, scientific work, for example on observational devices, that is simultaneously pure and applied.

What that means is that the template for agency reorganization under the Ibbotson proposals will fit the Met Office with difficulty.

The theory says the new agencies' heads should be getting chief executive figures. But in the Met Office the director-general is a scientist expected to represent not just the Met Office but the nation at international gatherings. How would a layman, however proficient in business techniques, fare in discussing the "greenhouse effect"?

The Met Office was given an impressively clean bill of health recently by Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer in his review of its forecasting in the wake of the October storms, a report which reminded us of how fragile and contingent is forecasting, and how inappropriate some of the techniques of measuring success currently favoured.

The Met Office is a knowledge-gathering institution: it maintains a national library, promotes the discipline of meteorology, and will, as public anxiety about long-term weather trends increases, become more central to public policy discussions. It is, in short, a national institution without which our national life, and certainly our conversation, would be the poorer.

Applying in a crude way the new managerialism such as output measurement could be damaging. Weather forecast, page 20

# London seizing up, admits Channon

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

London's traffic will seize up in a decade unless action is taken soon, a senior minister will acknowledge today.

Mr Paul Channon, the Secretary of State for Transport, will say on Thames Television's Reporting London programme that the Government is about to make the most important decisions on transport in London for half a century.

He says: "If we don't act, London will seize up in the next decade. If we do act soon and get it right... then we'll provide London with a first class transport system for the 21st century."

Mr Channon is expected to announce this month the choice of system for a new high-speed link between central London and Heathrow Airport. It is expected he will choose a surface rail route from Paddington station.

He will also receive a study of central London rail services, which is likely to provide the basis for large-scale investment.

Finally, British Rail will soon announce its proposals for services to meet the needs of the Channel Tunnel, which

opens in 1993.

In his television interview, Mr Channon says he is opposed to using tolls to reduce road congestion. He argues that congestion in the centre of London is best relieved by enforcing parking regulations.

British Rail is to be pressed to set new standards to cut overcrowding in trains.

In a report due next month, the rail passengers' watchdog committee, the Central Transport Consultative Committee, will call for targets to limit overcrowding on both InterCity and provincial trains.

The commuter services of Network SouthEast already have such targets, which are regularly exceeded.

The Government is understood to support overcrowding standards for provincial services, but not for the InterCity expresses.

British Rail's annual report, to be published on Wednesday, will show it is making rapid progress in reducing its Government subsidy. Between 1983 and 1986 the subsidy was reduced by about a quarter. A further 25 per cent cut, to £555 million, is planned by 1989-90.

# Embattled auction house hopes for relief

## Nato chief dons his art hat

Lord Carrington, who ended his term as secretary-general of Nato last week today puts an art market hat on when he starts as chairman of Christie's International.

His chairmanship comes as a relief to the company, which is publicly quoted, and has recently been beleaguered by internal scandal (a court case involving the false reporting of New York sale results) and stock-market predators (take-over interest by a Swiss firm, as well as by its smaller rival, Phillips, which bought a 5 per cent stake from Sheikh Nasser in March).

Staff hope that Lord Carrington will create an effective counterweight to Lord Gowrie, the former art dealer and minister for the arts, who is Sotheby's British chairman. Lord Carrington's experience of the art market is confined to collecting watercolours and eighteenth-century furniture, as well as selling "an enormous amount of stuff" through Christie's in 1931. He is also chairman of the trustees at the Victoria & Albert Museum.

At Christie's, he replaces Mr Jo Floyd, who at 66 is three years younger than him.

A 1927 Bentley 3 Litre Speed Model Vanden Plas sports car fetched £10,000 above its estimate at Sotheby's automobile sale at Sorn Castle, Ayr, Scotland, on Saturday.

Pillar-box red, with grey leather seats and upholstery, it had been the pride of the collection of Bobbie McIntyre, owner of Ayrshire Ford main dealers until his recent death. It was bought by a private collector for £121,000, including premium.

A 1943 Sherman M4 tank with fully rotating turret and running instructions, sold for £19,800 to a private English

# SALE ROOM

by Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Correspondent

buyer against an upper estimate of £8,000. The standard model used by the Allies during the Second World War, it was recon-ditioned and sold to Portugal after the war, to be used once a year for victory parades.

Finally, a 1967 Aston Martin DB6 Volante Vantage, finished in midnight blue livery, fetched more than double its estimate at £53,900.

Road improvement schemes justified on grounds of improved road safety have received a boost after the Government's decision to almost double the value placed on road deaths.

The Department of Transport yesterday announced the value of fatal road accidents would rise from £283,000 to £500,000 after a review.

Mr Peter Bottomley, Minister for Roads and Traffic, said: "The change would mean that accident savings are more accurately reflected in the appraisal of road schemes."

The minister believes the higher valuation will result in a better balance between small-scale road improvement schemes with high safety benefits and schemes aimed primarily at saving time or reducing congestion. It will not mean an overall

increase in road building. A decision on the valuation will be taken after reaction from public and interested bodies.

Roadworks until next Monday:

- London and South-east
- Mt London: contraflow jns 4 and 5 (Edgware/Harrow); north-bound entry slip at jn 4 closed.
- M25 Surrey no hard shoulder during daytime jns 11-13 (Cherestey/Staines) and overnight lane closures; contraflow in force.
- M25 Hertfordshire: lane closures in both directions jns 24-25 (Potters Bar/A10).
- M25 Essex: overnight closures, diversions, jns 30-31 (Dagenham/A13).
- M11 Essex: contraflow jns 6-7 (M25/Harrow); contraflow, jn 8 (Bishop's Stortford) - 10 (Duxford).
- M2 Kent: lane closures in both directions at jn 5

# Motorway repairs

## Greater death 'value' should help blackspots

By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

- (Sittingbourne): contraflow jns 6-7 (Faversham) with peak hour delays.
- M20 Kent: lane restrictions jns 11-12 (Hythe/Cheriton).
- M40 Oxfordshire: contraflow jns 6-7 (Wallington/Thame) with slip road closures at jn 7; use diversions.
- M4 Berkshire: contraflow jns 12-13 (Reading/Newbury).
- Midlands
- M5 Hereford/Worcester: contraflow jns 5-6 (Droitwich/Worcester north).
- M6 W Midlands: lane closures jns 6-7 (A38M/A34); south-bound entry slip at jn 7 daily 7 am to 10 am.
- M42 W Midlands: contraflow jns 6-5 (A45/A41); delays for drivers heading for National Exhibition Centre and airport.
- M54 Shropshire: roadworks jns 5-6 (Willington/Telford); lane closures.
- North
- M6 Cheshire: contraflows jns 16-17
- (Kingsgrove/Sandbach) jns 21a-23 (M62/A580).
- M6 Greater Manchester: lane closures jns 26 (M58) and 27 (Wigan).
- M62 Greater Manchester: restrictions jns 21-22 (A640/A672); 50 mph limit.
- M63 W Yorkshire: widening of west-bound carriageway with lane closures and a contraflow jns 24-25 (Huddersfield/Brighouse).
- M63 Greater Manchester: two lanes in each direction jns 1-7 (M62/A561) with contraflow over Barton Bridge; 40 mph limit.
- M63 Cheshire: construction of flyover at Portwood roundabout. Stockport: lane restrictions: lane restrictions jns 12-13 (A5143/A560).
- M65 Lancashire: construction of two roundabouts at jn 13 (A682); peak hour delays and diversions.
- Wales and West
- M4 Gwent: lane closures east-bound at jn 24 (A48).
- M4 W Glamorgan: lane closures
- east-bound at jn 47 (Swansea west).
- M5 Gloucestershire: contraflow jns 9-11 (Tewkesbury/Cheltenham); lane restrictions both ways jns 12-13 (Gloucester/Stroud).
- M5 Avon: lane restrictions jn 17 (Bristol west).
- M5 Devon: lane restrictions jns 30-31 (Exeter/A30).
- M32 Avon: lane restrictions, jn 1 (A4174).
- Scotland
- M8 Strathclyde: carriageway closures overnight (weekends only) jns 24-26 (Helen Street interchange/Hillington interchange).
- M74 Strathclyde: roadworks jns 4-7 (M73/A72); due to finish by Saturday.
- M90 Tayside: lane closures on both carriageways north of jn 4 to north of jn 8 (A909/A91).
- M90 Fife: north-bound carriageway down to single line at jn 1 (A90).

Information compiled and supplied by AA Roadwatch



Iran's crisis in the Gulf

Jet loss increases pressure on the Tehran leadership

By Nicholas Beeston and Hahzir Teimurrian

The loss yesterday of an Iran Air passenger jet carrying 290 people threatens to throw the leadership in Tehran into a new crisis as it attempts to offset recent losses against Iraq in the Gulf War.

In just over two months Iran has suffered five large defeats against Iraq in the land war: the loss of the Fao peninsula in April; territory near the southern city of Basra in May; defeats at Shalameh and Mehran in June; and the loss of Majnoon island.

The leadership in Tehran last week revealed its concern by announcing military restructuring measures aimed at improving the efficiency of its armed forces and boosting troop morale at the front.

The Speaker of Parliament, Hajjatoleslam Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, who is considered the second most powerful leader after Ayatollah Khomeini, announced on Saturday that the armed forces, comprising the regular Army and the Revolutionary Guards, would be put under a unified military command in a move to improve efficiency.

"We must bring all the capabilities of the country to the front to change the balance in our favour," said Hajjatoleslam Rafsanjani, who was made head of the Supreme Defence Council last month.

The regular Army is left over from the days of the Shah, although its middle and higher ranking officers were purged during the revolution.

The Revolutionary Guards, known as *pasdaran*, began as a militia force but are now the best equipped and best paid troops in Iran and are

used in most of the toughest frontline positions. They also command the *basisi* volunteer units, which are notorious for their human wave assaults on fortified Iraqi positions.

The rivalry between the Guards, most of whom are drawn from the ranks of young zealots, and the Army is visible during any visit to the frontline. Career soldiers resent the élan and fanaticism of the *pasdaran*, who consider the Army incompetent and ideologically suspect.

Although some military experts argue that a merger of the two forces is inevitable, diplomats in Tehran believe that the divisions are too great for the two sides to co-operate productively.

The divisions were highlighted by Ayatollah Khomeini's designated successor.

Danger grows of being caught in the crossfire

Since an Iraqi missile inadvertently struck the USS Stark last year, with the loss of 37 men, the massive flotilla of foreign warships and rise in attacks on neutral shipping have increased the risk of another accident (Nicholas Beeston writes).

Although civilian airliners had never been caught in the crossfire, the heavy air traffic in the region, combined with the short warning time warships have of an air attack, have added to the hazards.

The Washington Post reported this exchange last October. US Navy radio op-

erators: "Unidentified aircraft bearing one-one-eight degrees. This is a US warship... Your intentions are unclear. Please identify yourself."

The air traffic controller announced that the aircraft was a civilian passenger jet on a scheduled flight, but the American warship repeated its challenges. The controller then said: "US warship, you are posing a hazard to civilian aviation."

Undeterred, the US vessel, ordered to keep an exclusion zone around it, a few minutes later challenged another passenger jet.

Reliable jet: The Airbus was an A300 B2, one of the early variants. It was one of six bought from Airbus in the late 1970s and early 1980s (Harvey Elliott writes).

The national news agency, IRNA, quoted him as denying a rumour that an attempt had been made to kill him. "The enemies of the Islamic republic spread such rumours whenever a leading official is out of the limelight for a time," he said.

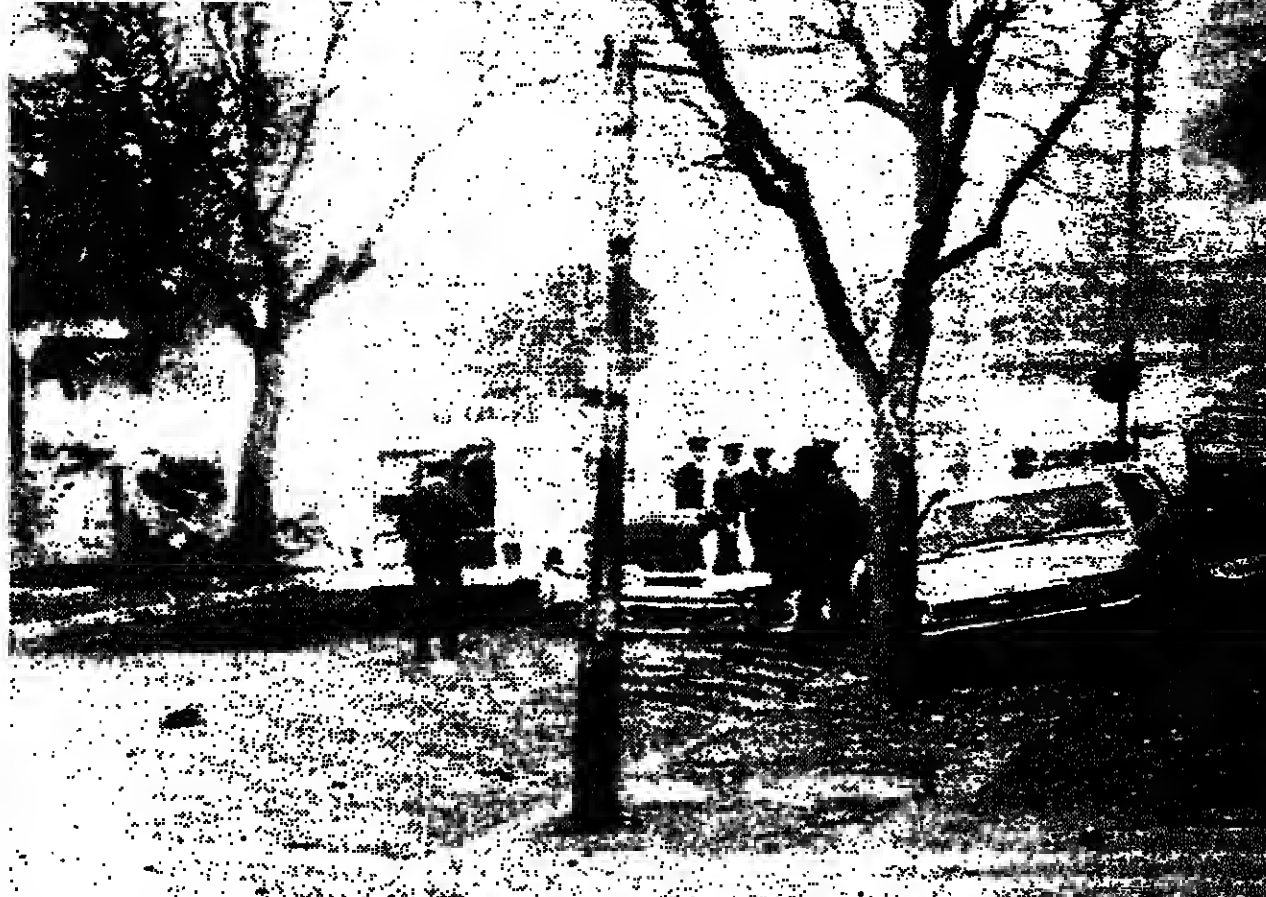
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ANC blamed for fatal bomb attack



An injured person being lifted on to a stretcher after a car-bomb exploded outside the Ellis Park rugby stadium in Johannesburg, killing two people and injuring 30. Officials of the outlawed African National Congress yesterday declined to accept or reject responsibility for the explosion which happened as spectators left the stadium on Saturday. Mr Adrian Vlok, the Minister of Law and Order, and General Henzie de Wit, the Commissioner of Police, lost no time in blaming the ANC for the bombing. Mr Vlok called it a "barbaric deed" showing "reckless disregard of all civilized norms". Mr Anthony Mopela, the personal assistant of Dr Oliver Tambo, the ANC president, said in Lusaka: "I have no comment to make at this stage. We have only heard about this. But our actions are not aimed at civilians."

their metallic cards into a cleft in the bamboo and try to pass them over the heads in front of them.

Zimbabwe's job crisis deepens

From Jan Raath, Harare

Riot police were called in at Brady Barracks in the western city of Bulawayo when the Zimbabwe Army advertised for 524 recruits and 7,000 young men turned up.

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able, but the security industries have grown dramatically in the past few years.

Mr Steve Fox, chairman of the Zimbabwe Institute of Security, says the industry now employs about 15,000 men as security guards, and his own firm has doubled its intake in the last three years.

Sharp increases in house-breaking, robbery and muggings have given him a "drastic" increase in demand for house guards in the better-off residential areas in Harare and the number of companies wanting their cash moved under guard has increased by 40 per cent in nine months.

Professor Hawkins says the economy would need a sustained annual growth rate of about 20 per cent until the end of the century to absorb just the school-leavers. The five-year national development plan, now in its second year, hopes for an optimistic 5.1 per cent growth in gross domestic product, with an allied growth in employment of 2.7 per cent.

Economists say even an immediate and dramatic economic liberalization programme and investment drive will mop up only a small proportion of the jobless.

Charting a nine-year spiral of conflict

The following is a chronology of key events in US-Iran relations in recent years (Reuters reports).  
Jan 16, 1979: With revolutionary turmoil in the streets, Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, a stout US ally, leaves Tehran never to return.  
Feb 11, Ayatollah Khomeini, fundamentalist Islamic cleric, returns from exile to become Iran's effective leader.  
Nov 4: Student followers of Ayatollah Khomeini storm US Embassy, take staff hostage and demand extradition of Shah. The 52 Americans will be held 444 days.  
April 24, 1980: US military mission to free hostages fails.  
Sept 1980: Iran-Iraq war starts.  
Jan 19, 1981: US and Iran sign agreement brokered by Algeria winning freedom for the

hostages in return for releasing frozen Iranian assets.  
Dec 11, 1984: US accuses Iran of encouraging hijackers who killed two American passengers on a Kuwaiti airliner. Tehran refuses to allow the four hijackers to be extradited.  
Nov 3, 1986: Lebanese magazine reveals that the US Administration has been secretly selling weapons to Iran in exchange for freedom of American hostages in Lebanon. The deal, and revelations that profits from arms sales were illegally channelled to Nicaraguan rebels, becomes the biggest crisis of the Reagan presidency.  
May 17, 1987: Iraqi aircraft fires missiles at US frigate Stark in the Gulf, killing 37 men. Washington accepts that attack was a mistake.  
May 19: Administration announces US flags will fly on 11 Kuwaiti tankers to be escorted by US Navy ships.  
July 24: Kuwaiti supertanker Bridgeton, escorted by US warships on first Gulf convoy, hits mine. US blames Iran.  
Sept 21: US helicopters attack Iranian boat Iran Ajr, saying it was caught laying mines. Pentagon says three Iranian seamen killed, two missing.  
Sept 25: US Navy sinks Iran Ajr in northern Gulf.  
Oct 8: US helicopter gunships sink three Iranian patrol boats near Farsi Island in "self-defence" after attack on US observation helicopter.  
Oct 15: Iran hits the US-owned Liberian tanker Sogara in Kuwaiti waters with Sillworm missile.  
Oct 16: Missile hits the US-flagged Kuwaiti tanker Sea Isle City just off Kuwait.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Britons will face Spanish judge

Madrid - Five Britons, held in Majorca in connection with an incident during which a taxi-driver died of a heart attack, will appear before a judge for the second time on Wednesday, sources said yesterday (Harry Debelius writes).  
The five - whom police in Palma identified as Mr Adrian Houseman, aged 18; Mr Edward Schofield, aged 19; Mr Lee Robert Virgo, aged 19; Mr Michael Baird, aged 18, and Mr Richard Dunn, aged 20 - were charged last week with drunk and disorderly conduct and assault resulting in injury. But the judge deferred his decision on possible further charges for three working days more, in order to allow time for investigation.

Dutch protests feared

Amsterdam - Dutch organizations supporting homosexual rights plan a series of demonstrations during the Queen's two-day visit to Holland which begins today (Alan Hamilton writes). They intend to protest about Clause 28, the new British law which makes it unlawful for local authorities to promote homosexuality.  
Graffiti has already appeared here condemning the new law but the Queen is likely to be kept well away from any protests because unusually stringent security precautions are being taken to avoid the possibility of any Irish demonstrations. The royal visit is part of celebrations to commemorate the accession to the English throne of William of Orange in 1688.

New Bosphorus bridge

Istanbul (Renter) - Mr Turgut Ozal, the Prime Minister of Turkey, yesterday opened the second Bosphorus bridge linking Asia and Europe, amid some of the tightest security seen in Turkey. Helicopters hovered overhead and 15,000 commandos, anti-terrorist police and para-military gendarmes were on alert as Mr Ozal cut the tape before driving his official car over the suspension bridge at the head of a convoy of 200 vehicles. The bridge, three miles downstream from the first bridge opened in 1973, is named "Fatih" (Conqueror) after Sultan Mehmet II.

Soviet air security

Moscow (AFP) - More than 50 attempts to hijack Soviet aircraft have taken place in the last 15 years, the Deputy Civil Aviation Minister, Mr Mikhail Timofeyev, told the daily *Trud*. He said there were people preparing for terrorist acts. Aviation security had to be tightened. Hundreds of guns, knives and explosives, including hand grenades, were confiscated every year from Aeroflot passengers.  
● KUALA: Kuwait said lax security at Bangkok airport was to blame for the hijacking of one of its airliners in April, in which two Kuwaiti passengers were killed.

Actors hurt in protest

Dhaka - More than 100 people were injured as police broke up a demonstration by Bangladeshi film stars, protesting outside Parliament yesterday against a new entertainment tax, hospital doctors said (Ahmed Fazi writes). Witnesses said at least a dozen protesters were injured. Police said they used force against fans who gathered to cheer their idols. "We were beaten up mercilessly," said Mr Abdur Razzak, head of the film artists' guild.

Hungarian food missions come to end of the line

From Richard Bassett, Lokoshaza, eastern Hungary

Two minutes to midnight and the Orient Express is late. But Lokoshaza, the last station on the Hungarian part of the Orient Express' 36-hour journey from Paris to Bucharest is, despite the late hour, buzzing.  
Along the timbered station, groups of Hungarian border guards, the white tops of their summer force caps catching the moonlight, stand talking to dozens of clearly emotional Hungarian passengers.  
The travellers had tried three times already to enter Romania by train in the last 24 hours. Three times, on reaching the Romanian frontier post, a few miles beyond Lokoshaza, they had been taken off the trains, had their passports taken from them and been sent back to Hungary a few hours later.  
As Romania continued to seal its frontier at the weekend, allowing only non-Hungarians to enter Transylvania, a region where more than one million Hungarians live, the lives of these Hungarians, along with thousands of others who have relatives in

Transylvania have become distinctly grimmer.  
For the last two years, as conditions in Romania have deteriorated with food shortages reducing the population to a state of almost medieval poverty, the Hungarians living in Romania have come increasingly to depend on food from their more prosperous relatives in Hungary.  
After Romania's decision, however, to close the Hungarian consulate in Transylvania, these missions of mercy have come to an abrupt halt as relations deteriorate further between the two countries.  
"My mother will starve unless she has this food," an impassioned lady pointing to three large bags primed with salami sausage, bread and butter, told a Hungarian customs official.  
The railway officials looked at their watches. Where was the Orient Express?  
"This will be our last try. Perhaps on a prestigious international express, we shall be allowed through," an optimistic lady argued. The Hungarian

border guards were less sanguine. "Who knows if they'll let anyone in soon. We've been half expecting them to shut down this frontier for the last few months," one young conscript said.  
As the Orient Express pulled in, two hours late, it was difficult to imagine that this once venerable train would help the Hungarians waiting at the station.  
Eight pale-blue grimy carriages bearing the insignia of the Romanian state railways rattled into the station coming to a halt with a piercing screech of rusty brakes.  
Half an hour later the train set off. Four hours after this, the small local train brought all the Hungarians back. Too exhausted to be angry, some were still sleeping on their bags of food along the platform the following morning.  
"If this goes on," the station master in a red peaked cap observed, "there will soon be no more Orient Expresses. They won't get any further than this. Budapest will be the end of that line."

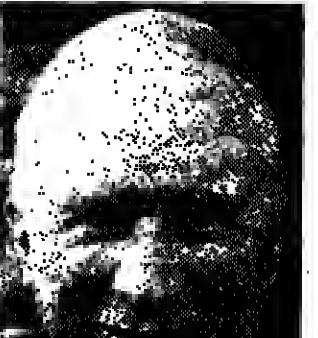
Vatican offers Lefebvre's followers a way back

From A Correspondent, Rome

The Vatican has created an opening for followers of Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre to return to the Church rather than face the threat of excommunication.  
A decree issued on Saturday confirmed that the traditionalist archbishop, his four bishops ordained in defiance of the Pope, and Bishop Antonio de Castro Mayer, who attended the consecration ceremony, are all excommunicated.  
It also threatened anyone who continues to follow or support Mgr Lefebvre with excommunication. "The priests and faithful must not adhere to the schism of Mgr Lefebvre since they would incur *ipso facto* the grave penalty of excommunication."  
But a second message from the Pope asked bishops to co-operate in facilitating a return to the Church for Mgr Lefebvre's repentant followers.  
The Pope announced the creation of a special commission to help these Catholics "maintain their spiritual and liturgical tradition".  
"To further encourage a re-

turn of the traditionalists, he also called for an "ample and generous application" of the Catholic Church regulations that permit use of the Latin Mass was celebrated yesterday in Notre Dame.

The Pope proclaimed two new saints yesterday in St Peter's Basilica. Before 15,000 Catholics from all over the world, he announced the canonization of Simon de Rojas and Rose-Philippine Duchesne.  
Simon de Rojas, a Trinitarian friar, was born in Valladolid in 1552. He was tutor to the Infantas of Spain and confessor to Queen Isabella of Bourbon. He was renowned for his saintly virtues and for his assistance to the poor and ill, and was beatified in 1766 by Pope Clement XIII.  
Rose-Philippine Duchesne, born in Grenoble in 1769, became a nun after the French Revolution and then travelled to North America, where she spent 34 years teaching the gospel to the Indians. She died in St Charles, Missouri, in 1852, and was beatified in 1940 by Pius XII.



Mgr Lefebvre: Vatican has confirmed excommunication. Mass for congregations that request it.

French police rivalry puts 'Superflic' behind bars

From Philip Jacobson Paris

A saga of sex, drugs, telephone tapping and midnight death threats has rescued Parisian newspaper readers from the tedium of several months of uninterrupted politics.  
Nurtured in the French school of *flic* (cop) films, they now have the real thing as *Paffaire Jobic* provides a tangle of the underbelly of the capital, replete with prostitutes, pushers, pimps and cops at each others' throats.  
At the heart of things is a keen young chief inspector of police, M Yves Jobic. Head of research (undercover work) for the first division of Paris, he is today languishing in jail on suspicion of what the French call *proxenetism*, roughly equivalent to living off immoral earnings.  
Commissaire Jobic finds himself behind bars courtesy of the *gendarmes*, and therein lies a tale. Although there is a long history of rivalry between the 110,000 civilian police and the 90,000 *gendarmes* under military control, never before have the two forces been quite so openly in conflict.  
In apparent retaliation for the investigation of M Jobic, national police officers in Paris have been working overtime on a juicy sounding case linking members of the rival force in a heroin-smuggling network in Corsica. They have also caused some ripples with allegations of unauthorized telephone tapping by a *gendarme* who had served on the

security staff of President Mitterrand.  
It is known that the case against M Jobic, a slight, rather scholarly looking fellow, was partly compiled by bugging his phone conversations with a trusted informant. It also relies on testimony from a number of prostitutes and their midlers - *maquerelles*, in underworld jargon - associated with the red-light area around the Rue de la Chapelle in the rundown 9th arrondissement.  
According to the likes of Zouzou, Fat Fifi and Pedro the Flimp, M Jobic, who was often seen around bars and cabarets in the area, was extorting protection money from them. How preposterous, he counters, to take the word of such people against someone trying

to put them out of business. Indignant fellow officers insist that the whole thing has been got up by the *gendarmes* as part of a plot to smear the police while their rivals move in on the more "glamorous" fight against big city crime.  
It is true that until quite recently, the blue kepi and long cloak of the *gendarmes* was most commonly seen in rural France. The national police (flat caps and *blousons* designed by Balmain) have always looked after the towns, a task which naturally includes the sort of plainclothes work M Jobic apparently did so well. Colleagues nicknamed him "Superflic".  
About a year ago, however, the Minister of Defence unilaterally authorized the *gendarmes* to conduct under-

cover operations on the opposition's home ground. Apart from provoking the occasional misunderstanding when plainclothes cops and *gendarmes* attempted to arrest each other, this greatly exacerbated tension between the two forces.  
Open hostilities commenced with last November's arrest of Commissaire Jobic at his home by a *gendarme* flying squad. His enraged colleagues threatened prompt reprisals, which probably explains the intense interest they developed in the alleged telephone tapping case involving one of M Mitterrand's security aides.  
That investigation culminated earlier this year with the arrival of three police inspectors at *gendarme* headquarters outside Paris. Brandishing

search warrants, they went over the suspect's living quarters with exemplary thoroughness, unaware that an angry group of his colleagues was gathering outside. As they left, the policemen were physically threatened, photographed and video-taped and their car was followed to the airport.  
In the past few days, *Paffaire Jobic* has taken a menacing turn. The investigating magistrate who was handed the hot potato has reported receiving threatening phone calls in the early hours. On Thursday, the owner of a rough bar in the middle of M Jobic's old patch was shot dead by an unknown assassin only 48 hours after giving evidence about his activities as an informer for the jailed officer.

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# Dig sparks riots in Old Jerusalem

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Arab fears of an Israeli attempt to blow up the enclosure containing the Al Aqsa mosque and the Dome of the Rock led yesterday to the most serious rioting in the Old City of Jerusalem since January.

Summoned by loudspeakers in the minarets to defend the holy places, more than 100 masked Arab youths clashed with Israeli police in the narrow alleys of the Muslim quarter, flinging stones, bottles and lumps of concrete as clouds of tear gas drifted across the holy sites.

The trouble began after workmen arrived in the early morning to dig a pit outside the offices of the *Wakf* (Islamic Trust), which administers the mosque. The pit was to reach a Hasmonian tunnel discovered 18 months ago running underground to the Herodian retaining wall of the platform, on which the Jewish temples were built and on which the Muslim holy places now stand.

Muslim suspicions of an Israeli plot to blow up a mosque to rebuild the temple were aroused five years ago after the discovery of a cell of Jewish terrorists who planned to destroy the Dome of the Rock.

The *Wakf*, although it knew of the plan to enter and clean the old tunnel, was not informed of when the work would be done and an alarmed official called for help. A prayer leader summoned both



An Arab woman, left, is rushed to a first aid centre after being overcome by tear gas during riots in Jerusalem yesterday.

Muslim and Christian Arabs to help stop the digging.

Mr Ari Chesin, the city's Arab affairs adviser, admitted later it had been a mistake to start the work without warning the *Wakf* in advance. The time, however, had deliberately been kept a secret because the authorities were

worried that the dig might be used as an excuse to cause trouble.

During the rioting eight people, including a girl aged six, were reported to have been injured and there were six arrests. The disturbances were particularly harmful to Israel's efforts to attract tourists because they occurred at a peak time for visitors. Many tours were locked out of the Old City.

After a meeting between the *Wakf*, city authorities and police it was agreed to suspend the dig for several days while tempers cooled.

Elsewhere in the West Bank there were no serious incidents yesterday after violent disturbances on Saturday in which one Palestinian teenager was killed at Jenin. In Gaza a petrol bomb thrown at an Army patrol caused no casualties, but one soldier was badly injured by a stone at Nuseirat.

## Violence in the Philippines

# Churches plead for peace after rights lawyers shot

From Humphrey Hawksley, Manila

Church leaders and human rights groups in the Philippines have appealed for an end to a spate of violence in which three human rights lawyers, including an Amnesty International leader, have been murdered and a left-wing university president escaped an assassination attempt.

The killings are being blamed on extreme elements in the military. President Aquino is being criticized for failing to control the violence and there are fears of a return to last year's instability.

Late last month Mr Ramon Cura was shot dead in Angeles City, the home of the United States air base, and Mr Alfonso Surigao was shot in front of his daughter in his home in the central city of Cebu. Mr Surigao was the regional chairman of Amnesty International.

On Saturday Mr Emmanuel Mendozo, aged 57, was shot dead in Manila. Mr Mendozo was representing a group accused of being linked to the outlawed Communist Party, and was a close friend of Dr Nemesio Prudente, the left-wing president of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines. Dr Prudente escaped a second assassination attempt on Thursday only because he was wearing a bullet-proof vest. Three of his bodyguards died.

Other lawyers have spoken of receiving death threats. The killings are thought to be in response to continued attacks by communist guerrillas on low-ranking policemen.

Manila (AFP) - Communist guerrillas in the central island of Masbate abducted six farmers and executed them, the official Philippine News Agency reported yesterday. The New People's Army rebels fetched the farmers from their homes, lined them up at a river bank and shot them, the report said.

and soldiers. Church leaders issued a statement appealing for an end to violence by groups of all ideologies. The left-leaning National Movement for Civil Liberties said there was now a "general climate of fear among the citizenry".

Although President Aquino has condemned the killings, her security forces have failed to bring to justice those behind the many assassinations since the Government came to power in 1986.

The aim of the assassins appears to be to dissuade what remains of the legal left from attempting to gain power through parliamentary means. Suspicion is falling on extreme elements within the military. But the Government appears to be reluctant to move against them. Official reports are believed to have identified the gunmen who tried to kill Dr Prudente in the first attempt on his life, in November. There have been no arrests.

In February, the authorities implicated a number of renegade military officers in the murder of Mr Rolando Olalia, a trade union leader, in 1986. No action has been taken.

Some friends say this lack of action runs against President Aquino's natural inclinations towards left-leaning human rights organizations. Mrs Aquino's hand, though, has been forced by pragmatism. The armed forces put down *muzzies* against her; she now has to show them support.

She is still clinging to her role as a centrist leader, but each outburst of violence by right-wing extremists has seen her shift her policies further to the right, if only to prove that she is against communism and should therefore be allowed to stay in power.

# Britain grapples with twilight Hong Kong rule

From Chris Pomery, Hong Kong

For Britain's administration in Hong Kong, the twilight of empire can seem surreal. Three government ministers have visited the colony in the last month - the Foreign Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe; the Trade Minister, Lord Young of Graffham; and the Minister with responsibility for Hong Kong, Lord Glenarthur.

Unintentionally, they have focused on a British problem - how to walk out of Hong Kong without breaking into a run. In just under nine years Britain will hand Hong Kong back to China. During the last three, a Joint Liaison Group of British and Chinese diplomats have worked on the fine print of the 1984 Sino-British agreement, shuffling between Peking, Hong Kong and London. Formulas have been agreed to give Hong Kong an international identity on world bodies like GATT (the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade). Administrative details, like adapting Hong Kong's compulsory identity cards, have also been settled.

Yesterday the Joint Liaison Group opened a permanent meeting place, a renovated colonial-style house tucked behind the new Supreme Court skyscraper.

Two issues threaten to increase acrimony: the high cost of Hong Kong's defence and its growing Vietnamese refugee population. It wants Britain to solve both.

Britain reluctantly agreed last week to increase its share of Hong Kong's defence bill. A new agreement, to run until 1997, will cut Hong Kong's bill for British troops. But local legislators are threatening to block funding next week unless Britain improves its deal.

Britain is unable to solve Hong Kong's other irritation, incoming Vietnamese boat people. Hong Kong's refugee population doubled to 16,200 during the last 12 months. Last month Hong Kong, with

Britain's approval, changed the rules. The 1,430 boat people who have arrived since then are held in detention centres with no prospect but prison. Many British officials in Hong Kong and Peking are worried that the increased acrimony pinpoints a deeper problem in Sino-British relations. For example, Britain is supposed to have a good trade relationship with China, yet the trade figures are dismal - West Germany exports four times as much as Britain, Italy a third more. Hong Kong is Britain's 18th largest market, yet a British Chamber of Commerce was only founded here last year.

Moreover there is a wide perception in Hong Kong that China, not Britain, is dictating the colony's political development, a feeling fuelled by the Joint Liaison Group's decision to discuss it, a move endorsed by the British side's adviser who is now Hong Kong's Governor, Sir David Wilson.

Direct elections to Hong Kong's legislature have now been put back a few years. China's draft Constitution for Hong Kong appears to go further along this path. Critics say it redefines promises made in the Sino-British agreement to guarantee Hong Kong a degree of independence after 1997.

Even Chinese leaders are worried that inexperienced mainland businesses may disrupt Hong Kong's trading environment and the emigration "brain drain" may accelerate. A Vietnamese influx: More than 400 Vietnamese boat people arrived in Hong Kong over the weekend, (AFP reports).

Nine boats carrying 286 Vietnamese were intercepted on Saturday, and 123 boat people were picked up on Sunday, the Government Information Service said. All 414 would be taken to a reception centre for screening.

# Lange in hospital

Wellington - Mr David Lange, the New Zealand Prime Minister, may require surgery for an artery restriction after being admitted to hospital in Auckland at the weekend with chest pains (Richard Long writes). Mr Geoffrey Palmer, the deputy Prime Minister, was recalled from Singapore, where he was en route to Moscow for an important visit, the first by a New Zealand politician of his ranking for 30 years. Mr Lange, aged 43, had recently complained of stomach pains, staff said.

## Nine killed

Boon - All nine people on board a West German troop-carrying helicopter were believed killed when it crashed into a mountain in Bavaria. Last week three US F16 fighter aircraft on low-level training in Germany crashed, killing one pilot.

## Furnace blast

Kore, Japan (AFP) - Four workers died and 30 were treated for carbon monoxide poisoning after a furnace exploded at a large steel mill.

## Children hurt

Karachi (Reuters) - At least 12 children playing on a rubbish dump were injured when a home-made bomb exploded.

## Peace promise

Darjeeling (Reuters) - Mr Subhas Ghising, the militant Gurkha leader, has promised to halt violence to facilitate talks on demands for an autonomous Gurkha state.

## Death verdict

Delhi (AFP) - A woman judge in Meerut has sentenced to death three men who raped and killed a girl, aged 16, two years ago.

## Drugs seized

Seattle (AFP) - US Coastguards have seized a Panamanian-registered freighter carrying 50 tons of marijuana, with a retail value in excess of \$200 million, off the west coast of the United States.

## Taiwan quake

Taipei (AP) - An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale shook northern Taiwan, triggering rockfalls that injured 14 people at three mountain sightseeing spots.

## Crime raid

Hong Kong (AFP) - About 70 people have been arrested in a massive police raid on nightclubs and vice-dens aimed at cracking down on organized crime syndicates, police said.

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# After his conference triumph the Kremlin leader faces a hostile reception from Warsaw allies

## Gorbachov sets fast pace for Moscow's reform programme

Now that the special conference of the Soviet Communist Party has ended, party organizations throughout the country have to start tackling reforms they never expected to see, let alone put into practice.

Just how unexpected the political reform programme was to most delegates became clear from the speech of Mr Boris Yeltsin, the former head of the Moscow party organization and now Deputy Minister of Construction.

He said that one of the proposals — to combine the posts of party first secretary and local government chairman — had come as a complete surprise, even to him as a government minister, and he wanted time to think about it.

According to the general conference resolution published at the weekend, this reform and all the other changes to the political structure are supposed to be complete within a year. This is a cracking pace for any Soviet institution — the Communist Party more than most — and was probably set by the leadership deliberately in an attempt to prevent inertia.

Party organizations have been told that between now and the end of 1988 they must conduct a "report and election" campaign. This is less drastic than a recall of party cards, which had been widely feared, because it does not require members to re-apply for admission. But if the mood of unrestrained criticism established at the party con-

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

ference continues, not all will keep their jobs.

The conference resolution also stipulates that the re-organization of the party apparatus, which is believed to recommend the abolition of many Central Committee departments, should be complete by the end of 1988.

The second part of the resolution says that the proposals for reform of the Supreme Soviet, which include the introduction of a new style of presidency, should be considered at its regular autumn session.

This meeting would also consider the required revisions to the Soviet Constitution, and the organization of national elections to the proposed new body, the Congress of National Deputies. These elections, it says, should be held next year. New elections to the lower-level soviets are scheduled for next autumn.

Some of the haste with which the conference ended late on Friday is apparent from the delay in the publication of the official documents. Only the general resolution setting out the timetable for

political changes appeared immediately. The six individual resolutions are taking longer.

According to Soviet press reports, two of the resolutions — on relations between ethnic groups and on the details of the reform of the political structure — caused particular problems. Amendments were being drafted and voted on up to the very close of proceedings. The other resolutions will relate to the progress of economic reform, the policy of *glasnost*, the reform of the legal system and combating "bureaucratism".

Two proposed amendments, both of which would have diminished the power of the Central Committee and increased the power of local party organizations, were rejected after discussion.

The first was that *Pravda* should cease to be the official newspaper of the Central Committee and become the organ of the Communist Party as a whole. The second recommended that the party general secretary should be elected formally at a full party congress, not at a Central Committee plenum.

Speaking to journalists at the weekend, Mr Anatoly Dobrynin, the former Soviet Ambassador in Washington who is now a member of the Central Committee secretariat, said that many details remained to be clarified and required further discussion.

Ethnic relations is to be the subject of a special Central Committee plenum. The re-



The face of Lenin looking down sternly from the walls of the KGB headquarters in Moscow, as the Soviet Communist Party debated issues in the era of Mr Gorbachov's *glasnost*.

forms of the legal system are to be drafted by legal specialists and then submitted for nationwide discussion before being passed into law.

Mr Dobrynin would also have to be changes in the state Constitution and in the party statutes before all the recommendations discussed at the conference were finalized.

While the Supreme Soviet can make changes to the Constitution, amendments to the party statutes have to wait for the next congress, in late 1990 or early 1991.

Although the conference

was a personal triumph for Mr Gorbachov, both in the openness of the debate and in the approval of all six resolutions, it was clear that deep divisions in the Soviet Communist Party leadership remain.

Judging by the delegates' speeches, two issues in addition to the structural reforms proved particularly contentious: the way *glasnost* was operating and the pace of the economic reform programme.

Despite the protestations of Mr Yegor Ligachev, who ranks second in the Soviet leadership, that there was no

split in the Politburo, his attacks on "abuses" of editorial freedom and his calls for caution in economic reform contrasted with the appeals for more freedom and the impatience with *perestroika* of many other delegates.

However sweeping the changes appear, many of the reforms approved by the conference bear distinct marks of compromise.

The struggle between the out and out reformists and the gradualists will go on for a long time yet.

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## Katyn killings cloud feelings on Polish visit

By Our East Europe Correspondent

Of the many blind spots in the recent history of Polish-Soviet relations, none casts a longer shadow over Mr Mikhail Gorbachov's visit to Poland on July 11 than the massacre of more than 8,000 Polish officers at Katyn.

It retains an almost hypnotic fascination for Poles. Nothing epitomizes their hatred of the Russians more than this example of Stalin's ruthlessness. It was more than just a war crime. It was the ultimate proof of the Soviet Union's perfidy. Moscow, however, denounced the reports, accusing the Germans of perpetrating the massacre.

An international commission and the research of many historians have proved, beyond any reasonable doubt, that the atrocity was committed by the Russians. Despite the evidence and Moscow's recent criticism of Stalin, the Russians have adhered to their plea of not guilty.

But it is likely that Mr Gorbachov has, for some time, wished to "come clean" on Katyn. Last year, a joint Polish-Soviet commission of historians was established to examine the "white spots" in the two countries' history.

Its conclusions are eagerly awaited, and its report on Katyn will inevitably arouse obsessive interest among a nation which is still mesmerized by the events of the Second World War.

It may be that Mr Gorbachov will take the opportunity provided by his visit to Poland to make a statement on Katyn, but he is under no illusions as

to the powerful emotions the Katyn question provokes.

His visit, taking in West Prussia, which was ceded to Poland after the Second World War, has aroused muted criticism from East Germany. His tour of other cities is fraught with potentially embarrassing appointments and a demonstration by Solidarity cannot be ruled out.

April's wave of strikes in Poland has shown Moscow that its most important ally in the Warsaw Pact is nowhere near as stable as Moscow would like.

It may decide that the Katyn question can remain on ice for a little longer, but Mr Gorbachov's instincts regarding the media may persuade him to issue a statement of contrition. Whatever happens, it is doubtful whether he will persuade the Poles to dislike the Russians less.

MOSCOW: Moscow Radio's English language service hinted in May that Soviet historians might be prepared to accept the Polish point of view on Katyn (Mary Dejevsky writes).

In a report from Katyn forest, the radio journalist said that the site bore an inscription attributing the killings to the Nazi forces. He added that there was some question about responsibility and "a German protocol which has now surfaced suggests Soviet bullets were found in the bodies."

Last week Professor Yevgeny Erimakov said that the commission had not completed its investigation and there was still some doubt about who killed the officers.

## Shackled existence for unofficial Soviet press

In May The Times published a survey of the unprecedented level of unofficial political activity and civil unrest inside the Soviet Union. This is the first of a series of weekly reports on aspects of unofficial opposition activity compiled from dissident and published sources.

There are at least 220 informal publications appearing regularly throughout the Soviet Union. Although these publications are grudgingly tolerated, they are not permitted to have access to any of the resources available to the official Soviet press. A few of the unofficial journals have copying machines and some have word processors. The majority use manual typewriters.

Despite *glasnost*, those who produce these informal journals are still subject to various forms of harassment by the Soviet authorities, including raids by police on premises where publications are produced; brief periods of detention of editorial, journalistic and confiscation of equipment. Several individuals connected with informal journals have received death threats to themselves and their families.

A chronology of new publications is as follows:

Jan 6, 1987, Moscow: First issue of *Day by Day* launched by the "Trust for Trust" between the USSR and the USA. The journal proclaims the article's aim "to create a pluralistic and democratic society in the Soviet Union".

April 25, 1987, Leningrad: *Mercury* launched by the group "Epitaph", editor, Ms Elena Zelinskaya. The journal is founded as "a point of reference for people in unofficial groups in Leningrad".

June 2, 1987, Moscow: First issue of *Glasnost* — perhaps the best known of these magazines in the West — published by editor, Sergei Grigoriants.

June 1987, Kiev: *Kyivskiy Sviyetsk* (Kyiv's Ecological Culture) launched, editor-in-chief, M. Talalai. This journal represents various ecological groups in Leningrad.

July 10, 1987, Moscow: Grigoriants refused official permission to publish *Glasnost* by First Deputy Chairman of the Council of Ministers Press Department. The principal reason given: a paper shortage.

July 31, 1987, Moscow: The *Bulletin of the Christian Community* launched at a press conference. Chief editor, Alexander Ogorodnikov. The journal offers articles on religion and philosophy and a calendar of Christian events.

August 1, 1987, Moscow: First edition of *Express Khronika* published. Editor, Alexander Podrabinek. *Express Khronika* is a weekly newspaper providing short reports of events not covered by the official press.

August 10, 1987, Lvov: *Ukrainski Vysnik* launched; editor, Vyacheslav Chervov. This journal is devoted to Ukrainian problems and supports the separatist aspirations of the province's population.

Oct 3, 1987, Moscow: Grigoriants calls press conference where he announces that the authorities have destroyed the entire print run of the eighth edition of *Glasnost* and arrested two members of the editorial board, Andrei Shilkov and Dimitri Eysner. Only the original of the eighth edition remains. Shilkov and Eysner released later that day.

Oct 25, 1987, Leningrad: Twenty editors of unofficial journals hold a congress at the Literary Club organized by Ms Zelinskaya (editor of *Mercury*). Six government officials present as observers. The final communiqué demands an end to administrative pressure on the informal press and a lifting of restrictions on the availability of copying equipment.

October 1987, Moscow: *Zemlya* (Land) is re-launched, editor, Vladimir Asovt. It was started in 1976.

ers criticize the official Lvov press for vilifying members of the unofficial press.

April 2, 1988, Leningrad: *Kubikon* launched; editor, Igor Dashkevich. This journal largely concerns itself with the official and unofficial trades union movement.

April 20, 1988, Riga: *Sudburgen* launched; editor, Aivars Yakovitch. This journal concerns itself with ecology, history and the arts.

April 27, 1988, Sverdlovsk: *Slovo Urala* (The Word from the Urals) launched; editor, Ilyshat Nazzyrov. This journal deals with questions of ideology, politics, culture, economics and ecology.

April 23-26, 1988, Moscow: Conference to found the International Section of the Federation of Journalists held by representatives of some of the independent journals in Moscow, Riga, Leningrad and other cities.

April 25, 1988, Moscow: Independent Press Club formed. Founding declaration includes "asserting our adherence to the idea of the freedom of the press, and believing in our natural inalienable right to unite in our general aims to: a) exchange publications between members of the club; b) create libraries, archives, and seminar catalogues; c) organize a legal service to defend the interests of members."

May 5, 1988, Lissa, Riga: Demonstration dedicated to a "Day of the Press" organized by Lissa branch of "Helmski 86". Tea demonstrators stood with symbolic signs over their shoulders.

May 1-8, 1988, Moscow: Second conference of representatives of independent publications attended by 43 representatives of 30 independent journals. Speakers included the editor of *Pozinok* (Single Combat), Kirill Podrabinek who suggested the creation of a samizdat news agency, and Grigoriants, who introduced discussion of journalistic ethics. Final communiqué signed by representatives of 27 publications.

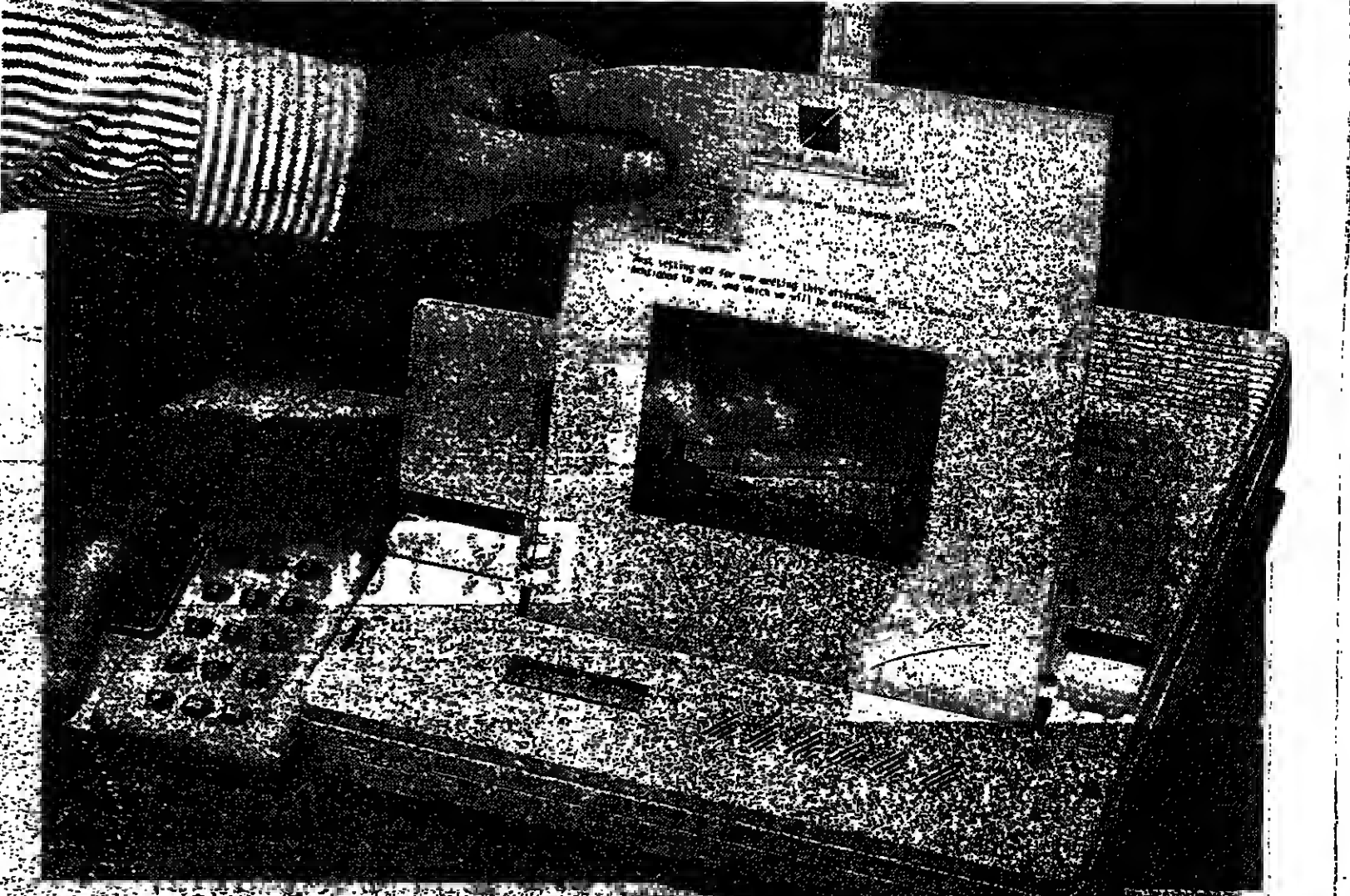
May 9, 1988, Moscow: Grigoriants arrested for allowing editorial offices of *Glasnost* to be used for a meeting of the "Democratic Union".

May 12, 1988, Moscow: Valeria Novodvorskaya, a founder member of the "Democratic Union", demonstrated in Pushkin Square on behalf of Grigoriants. She was detained after 30 minutes had elapsed.

May 16, 1988, Moscow: Grigoriants released by the authorities.

May 17, 1988, Moscow: Novodvorskaya was sentenced to 15 days in detention and was sent to a special station in the village of Severny. Once there, she declared herself to be on hunger strike.

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The Bar is put on trial

This month the Marre Committee will hand down its verdict on the legal profession. Will it result in a better service to the public — and the end of barristers? Frances Gibb reports

The Bar is fighting for its survival. The 5,500 practising barristers in England and Wales are facing an unprecedented challenge to their monopoly of work in the higher courts.

The report will not be binding. But it will influence the new Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, who has indicated there may be "some merit" in change.

Julian Malins, a barrister, warned in the Bar's magazine, Council, that to let solicitors into the crown court even marginally would be "financially ruinous" and the Bar would "shrink dramatically".

The solicitors reject this. "You only have to look at other jurisdictions to see that there is a thriving independent Bar even though solicitors have full rights of audience," one said.

In short, the Bar says the public would lose its present freedom of choice to pick any advocate from the whole profession.

Present restrictions on rights of audience are anomalous and costly; why should people have to



'This argument that solicitors are not competent to do the work of barristers is absolute nonsense'

Jeremy Shulman, aged 36, is in a mainly commercial three-partner Leeds firm. "There is no justification in the public interest for what is, in effect, a closed shop.

He wants full rights of audience in all courts, with judicial appointment for two lawyers when one will do? And, increasingly, solicitors are becoming disenchanted with legal aid work — only the right to take cases in the crown court will now provide them with the incentive in terms of financial rewards and job satisfaction to stop drifting to other work.

Lady Marre's report comes at a time of pressure for change. The Government is bent on monopoly-breaking and in March came the Green Paper aimed at securing just that.

THE SOLICITOR'S CASE

look to the Republic of Ireland to see how wrong that is. Solicitors can choose whether to do the work themselves or use the Bar. The Bar is strong, but it concentrates on what it is good at, being a specialist service.

He also rejects the notion that solicitors with wider advocacy rights would refer all the work to their own in-house advocates, irrespective of the client's best interests.

The crown court would remain a "training ground" for barristers. "If they are good, they will get the work. In this firm we would not want our own advocacy department — we wouldn't hesitate to instruct counsel."

Shulman, chairman of the Young Solicitors' Group, which represents roughly half the profession, dismisses the idea that wider advocacy rights means the death of the Bar. "You only have to

change is coming from solicitors. In the wake of the loss of their near-monopoly on conveyancing in 1985 and competition from accountants and others for advice work, the Law Society has intensified its campaign to gain full rights of audience in the higher courts.

practising barrister, has also recently come out in support of granting crown court rights to the (mainly solicitor) Crown Prosecution Service lawyers. If this happened, the case for denying such rights to defence solicitors would be very weak.

The Bar faces a testing time. It has taken steps to bring itself into the 21st century but it could — some barristers say — do more, such as relax advertising rules and even allow partnerships. And it could more actively use the new rule that QCs do not have to have a junior in attendance.

In the meantime, the Bar will have to muster all its advocacy skills to get across the message that once dismantled, it could not be put back. Otherwise there must be a real risk that the Bar, in its present form, is putting its own case for the last time.



'Standards would suffer . . . to be an effective advocate, you must do the job all the time'

THE BARRISTER'S CASE

Henrietta Manners is a barrister in her early thirties in the Middle Temple, where she handles a mixture of "landlord and tenant, family work, crime and civil litigation": the kind of chambers, she says, that would be most hit by any change.

"Wider advocacy rights for solicitors would mean the loss of the smaller, easier cases on which the young Bar depends for its training. This would have a knock-on effect for standards of advocacy generally: to be an effective advocate, you must do the job all the time. If you're not cutting your teeth on the easy work, you won't keep up the required standard. And the crown court is a training ground for the whole Bar, not just for those doing criminal work."

The Bar, she says, would quickly "dry up" in the criminal field and become a department of the civil service, "a kind of public defender system supported by government".

Solicitors could not be objective as to whether to take a case themselves or instruct counsel, she says. "It is asking a lot of them. At the moment they have the choice of the whole Bar: if we are so good, a solicitor will stop instructing us. If you have an in-house advocate, it is much less easy to give him the sack. There are financial and other kinds of pressure to go to the in-house person first. With an independent barrister, you have completely unbiased advice."

Clients would still suffer the problem of the "returned brief" when the solicitor found himself overbooked. But in-house advocacy departments would lower standards, she says. "In the end you get a second-class service. The case will be shunted off to someone else without any real thought as to whether that person is qualified or not."

"The barrister brings authority . . . you hear anecdotes about clients who, asked which lawyer they want, say: 'A proper lawyer with a wig'."

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Eager to recruit top graduates, employers are turning to the summer hiring fair, reports Alan Franks

As students in their final year at university try to decide how they are going to spend the next half-century or so, they are being wooed as never before by employers through a modern version of the hiring fair.

There are now 12 of these held each year around the country, and it appears that they are taking over some of the functions of the annual recruitment visits, or "milk-rounds", made by representatives of large companies during the autumn term.

The largest and most openly commercial of these fairs is the one organized by London University (although open to anyone) at the new Business Design Centre in Islington, north London. This is only the second year that the university has mounted such an event outside its own campus, when it closed at the weekend after three long and hectic days among the hi-tech decor, it had attracted more than 10,000 visitors, almost all of whom were potential employees in their early twenties.

In the recent past it has been quite common for final year

'It's probably the best time since the middle of the '60s to be leaving university'

students at London to complete up to 30 application forms and send them back to employers. Now that has dropped to between five and 10, with many students taking no notice at all of the milkround and waiting until the summer fair, or even later.

A number of reasons are being advanced by university careers advisory staff for this significant trend. First, the national economy is improving at the same time as the number of young people is dropping; employment is becoming more of a seller's market, relieving students about to take exams of the panic of applying for jobs.

Second, the employer finds that the fair enables him to recruit more in line with his immediate requirements than with projected ones, in a way that the milkround does not. He can also talk to the student informally, away from an academic environment.

"The clear message to today's students is not to worry as much as they have done in the recent past," says Brian Szeptoe, the utterly approachable director of London University's career advice service. "It's actually a very good time to be leaving university. I would say probably the best since the mid 1960s."

"Students will get a job. It might not be perfect, or accord with the romantic notions of the young. And if they don't get it absolutely at once, then they'll get it a little later. But they have only one chance to take a degree; that's the job in hand and they should concentrate on it, rather than let themselves get distracted by the prospects of a career."

There were 214 employers with stands at Islington last week, and at each one an eager posse of recruiters brimful of buoyancy about the prospects for their companies, some so youthful as to make one wonder whether they were sitting on the right side of the interview table. So successful have the fairs become as markets in which students can test the worth of their soon-to-be-gained qualifications — that about 35 per cent of people who visit one are expected to land a job through it.

And about 35 per cent of people who visit one are expected to land a job through it. "Yes, there are definitely jobs here," agrees Alexander Wells, a 22-year-old graduate in physical geography who has narrowed down to six his

search for the right firm of chartered accountants (a profession which is now attracting 11 per cent of all university leavers). "But some jobs being offered are the ones which a couple of years ago would have gone to school-leavers. You have to make sure that you get a proper training contract."

One of the greatest supporters of the fairs system is John Simpson, head of recruitment at ICL. "I don't believe they will ever replace the milk-round altogether," he says, "but they are a tremendously valuable top-up, and a good indicator of the state of the market. One thing I would say, though . . . and I know I have an axe to grind . . . I wish there were more chemists and engineers coming forward."

"I just cannot believe how many applications we have for personnel officers. About 100 for every job, compared with 10 or 15 for every job in our technical and science streams. Do they actually know what a personnel officer does? Do they think it's some sort of industrial social work? I sometimes wonder."

SCIENCE REPORT

Mystery of a web-footed dinosaur

A group of French scientists has used new techniques of analysis to learn something of the diet and the habitat of a fossil dinosaur more than 65 million years old.

Although there have been several occasions in the past few years when the study of radioactive isotopes of carbon and nitrogen in scraps of organic matter preserved in fossils has been used to learn something of creatures long since dead, this seems to be the first on which such an ancient fossil has been examined in this way.

The fossil dinosaur Anatosaurus is best known from a specimen recovered in 1910 from the Lance formation in Wyoming which, over the years, has produced many dinosaur fossils. Unusually, that Anatosaurus was recovered as a dehydrated mummy.

A detailed report of the investigation will appear in the forthcoming issue of *Comptes*

*Rendus de l'Academie des Sciences*. Those responsible are Herve Bocherens, Marc Fizet and Jean-Jacques Jaeger of the University of Paris VI, together with Jean-Guy Michard and Andre Mariotti of the Natural History Museum in Paris, and Jean-Pierre Cui of the University of Paris XI.

The researchers now believe they have solved a long-standing puzzle about Anatosaurus. On geological grounds, it has been suggested that it lived during the Late Cretaceous Period on the coastal plains of North America, close to the swamps and large rivers then abounding. The animal's long, powerful tail, webbed feet and duck-like beak were at first thought to indicate that it was amphibious, wading in deep water and eating aquatic plants.

But, in 1922, it emerged that the fossilized contents of the mummy's stomach contained conifer needles, twigs, seeds



and other remains of land plants. The fact of hundreds of rasp-like teeth in the animal's beak, which would not have been necessary for a diet of soft aquatic plants, also seemed to fit well with the idea of a land-dwelling creature. How to decide whether Anatosaurus lived on land or

half in and out of water? The bones of vertebrates contain a stable, fibrous protein — collagen — assumed to contain the proportions of the isotopes of carbon and nitrogen there would have been in the food it used to eat. (The radioactive isotope of carbon, called carbon-14, often used for telling the age of prehistoric fossils, is only short-lived, and would long since have disappeared from the collagen.)

The crux of the new investigation is that non-aquatic plants and those living in arid regions accumulate lower proportions of the isotope carbon-13 than would be found in aquatic plants, as well as distinctive proportions of the isotopes of nitrogen such as nitrogen-15.

The researchers say that their data confirm not only that Anatosaurus lived mostly on land, but that it may have foraged into relatively arid regions in search of trees and shrubs.

The researchers have taken great care to show that their specimen has not been contaminated geologically — or even with glue (which contains animal collagen) used in preparing museum specimens: they have used for their isotope analysis fresh bone splinters from a specimen being mounted for display at the Natural History Museum in Paris. Their conclusion is that Anatosaurus lived in arid regions, fits snugly with its rasping teeth as well as with the stomach contents.

The researchers now hope to apply their techniques to other species of dinosaur, such as *Tyrannosaurus*, long believed to have ranged on Anatosaurus. The question of the webbed feet remains: did Anatosaurus need them to escape from *Tyrannosaurus*?

Peter Coles

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MONDAY PAGE

If you want a job done well...

The answer could be to hire a woman. Lee Rodwell investigates the rise of workwomen and asks if they are the answer to a working woman's prayer

Have you ever watched a pot-bellied plumber spray oily water all over your newly papered living room wall, or groaned inwardly as a pair of size 10 boots trod paint into your fitted carpets?

Have you ever taken time off from work to wait for builders who fail to turn up, or electricians who disappear as soon as they arrive to get the part you warned them had blown up?

It might sound sexist, but perhaps there is a solution to all these problems: workwomen.

The number of women choosing to enter the manual trades is small but growing. Now it is possible to find women qualified as painters, decorators, plasterers, bricklayers, plumbers, carpenters and electricians - and more women are choosing to employ them.

Lorna Wright was Britain's first registered female plumber and now runs her own business in Rochdale, Lancashire. She started off helping her father during the school holidays when she was 14 and eventually qualified and took over the business when ill-health forced him to retire.

"I think the advantage is that women are more understanding of other women," she says. "Pensioners and single women, for instance, worry about letting people into their houses. Also they tend to clean up after the job when a lot of men don't."

Yvonne Wicken, an electrician, became interested in the trade because her husband was an electrician. She now carries out both maintenance work for a housing association in London and private work. "Women say it is nice to be able to talk to you without

being made to feel idiots," she says. "Also, although there are men who are careful and considerate, I think women in general are more sensitive to the environment. You understand that the job is more than a job, it's about their home and the way they feel about it. And there is the security aspect, too. Women who employ me are happy to drop their keys off, they trust me."

Kate Osborn, a carpenter in south-east London, agrees. "I get a lot of work simply through word of mouth. Women ring up specifically because they've had bad experiences with male workers."

Other women confirm this pattern. Lisa Ridley, a bricklayer from Willesden, north London, says that with every job so far this year she has come in after male builders and electricians - and more women have done something dreadful.

She tells the story of the man who built a patio without drainage so that every time it rained, it flooded. And the man who fitted new windows but forgot to put in lintels over the top.

"That particular client was extra-sensitive about building work in general by this time and required a lot of reassurance. You have to take on a motherly role sometimes to deal with distraught clients."

Jacqui Elliott, of Finchley, north London, is a painter and decorator whose cards advertise her services as The Feminine Touch. She has been in the business for five years and says women clients prefer to deal with other women.

"In any case, even if the job is for a married couple, it's always the wife who has to ring up for quotes and it's nearly always the wife who has



Practical answers: plumber Lorna Wright, who says women are more understanding, and decorator Jacqui Elliott, who has been in business for five years



to stay home and deal with you.

"A lot of women are very glad they don't have to talk to yet another stropky decorator. Women feel they could handle another woman better than a man if they did something they weren't happy about."

Cleanliness, sensitivity, security... but clients still seem to suspect that a woman might not be quite as competent as a man. "Sometimes you know

they are checking you out by asking you to do a little job first," Osborn says. "So you just swallow your pride and put up the shelves and you can almost see them thinking, 'Oh, women carpenters can handle it'. Then they give you all the other things to do."

All five women have passed the relevant City and Guild examinations and deal sharply with the myth that women are not big/strong/tough enough

to handle manual work. "Most of my work is domestic and I find that being small (I'm five foot one) I can get under sinks and into lofts easily, which is a distinct advantage," Wright points out. "And with everything today being copper and plastic, materials aren't that heavy to carry."

"It's all a lot of twaddle," Ridley adds. "No one has an eyelid about the heavy work a

nurse is expected to do for a third of the wages."

So will we see a lot more workwomen in future? It is a moot point. Although all the women interviewed had no regrets, most pointed out that the path they had chosen had often been far from easy. On building sites they can, according to one, "end up being the only woman among a bunch of hostile men". The reaction of family and

friends to their choice had varied from positive encouragement in Wright's case, to amusement in Osborn's (her mother is a teacher), to disapproval in Elliott's. "My mother just wouldn't talk about it for two years, but now I'm running my own business it's okay."

Elliott is working at present for Bubbles Polya, who is delighted with the way things are working out. After a saga

'They are glad they don't have to talk to yet another stropky decorator. They feel they could handle another woman better'

of male disappointments which Polya says has marked the recent programme of alterations and improvements to her Hampstead home, she decided to look for a woman painter.

"It has worked extremely well," Polya says. "A woman is more open to suggestion, she'll never dismiss a request by saying 'I've never heard of that before'. Men just put you down as a woman who's always changing her mind."

"Women are more meticulous, they have more patience. It might be because they have chosen their trade rather than drifted into it."

"Men try to intimidate you into paying for shoddy work. But our days of negotiating with hullies are finished. Now I am looking for a woman carpenter and a woman electrician."

Although the Construction Industry Training Board is trying to encourage young women to become bricklayers, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, painters and decorators, and take up a career in the construction industry, it remains a male-dominated domain.

"There's no way a woman can walk on to a site and say, 'Gizza job'," Wright says. "The private sector doesn't put its money where its mouth is. And although some local authorities have done a great deal to enable women to get good, interesting training, it's just a speck in the universe."

A register of tradeswomen is available from Women and Manual Trades, 52-54 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8RT (01-251 9192).

The chief in high heels and a suit

You might think the Indians would have reservations about commemorating July 4. But Wilma Mankiller, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, and her family and friends will be having fireworks and festivities - just like millions of other Americans. The Chief smiles diplomatically: "We celebrate all American holidays with the exception of Columbus Day, because how could he claim to have discovered the country if we were already here?"

Mankiller, of Oklahoma, is the first woman chief of the Cherokee nation. She is not a Boadicea of the plains, however, but a brisk businesswoman in a crisp linen suit and high-heeled shoes, who likes to keep her feet firmly beneath her desk.

A liberal Democrat and committed feminist, she favoured Pat Schroeder when the congresswoman was a possible candidate

Why the chief of the Cherokee nation finds cause for celebration on Independence Day

for the presidency but has since switched her allegiance to Michael Dukakis. She has been active in seeing that "Native American" issues are included in the Democratic platform in time for the convention later this month.

Dukakis, she feels, has an enlightened policy on Indian sovereignty and social programmes, and she will be endorsing him

formally in the tribal newsletter which goes out to the 87,000 registered tribal members.

She tackles questions about racism and bigotry head on. "Yes, it's been a long, hard battle - sometimes I think we begin to believe our negative stereotypes. There is still prejudice, of course, but in this part of the world we've infiltrated so many positions of power that often those in a position to discriminate are now Cherokee themselves."

Her door is always open, both at the office and in the unpretentious home she shares with her husband, Charlie Soap, and their four dogs. Tribe members feel free to visit their chief without prior appointment, and lay their problems before her. Above her desk hangs the impressive seal of the Cherokee Nation, a heavy carved wooden shield with a seven-pointed star to symbolize the



Chief Wilma Mankiller: hardly a Boadicea of the plains

seven Clans. Mankiller herself is of the Wolf Clan, like her husband; the marriage would have been discouraged years ago when clans were more in-bred than they are now, and tribe members had to move away from their native villages to find suitable mates.

Soap, her second husband, is a full-blooded Cherokee. He cooks

his own meals when his wife is busy and teases her about her cookbook, *The Chief Cooks*, with its recipes for squirrel soup and wild onions - but she insists that she has made them all at one time or another.

There has been a long tradition of female power in the Cherokee nation, although there has never

before been a woman chief. It is a matrilineal society, Mankiller explains, with lineage, clan and entitlements traced through the mother, not the father. As far back as 1720 a Cherokee woman with the disappointing name of Nancy Ward was head of the influential Women's Council. The Cherokees built the first free girls' school west of the Mississippi, and the Cherokee Female Seminary, built in the 1850s, demonstrated the significance of women in this society at a time when the education of white women was largely confined to the home.

The Cherokees have a history of successful litigation, and were the first Indian nation to take on the US Supreme Court - and win - in 1830. An important part of Mankiller's job is to keep an eye on the erosion of Cherokee rights - to the Arkansas riverbanks and beds, in particular, although not the water that flows through them.

Mankiller spent much of her youth in San Francisco, where she did not learn to speak Cherokee, but became involved in the Indian activist movement at San Francisco State University at its peak in the 1960s and early 1970s. "The younger generation today wants to assimilate," she says, "but I don't

think we'd exist as a people without a strong sense of our culture and history."

The revitalization of the tribe is her major goal, and much progress has been made. "From being practically bankrupt 15 years ago with the tribe housed in a store front we now employ 700 people with an annual operating budget of \$37 million for 1986," Mankiller says proudly, showing me round the purpose-built tribal complex.

Health care is a cause for concern, since drinking and diabetes are particular problems among the Indians - "but the Cherokees have no greater drink problem than the rest of the country," Mankiller says. Nevertheless, she has just opened a new alcohol and drug abuse centre for teenagers at the Sequoia Indian School.

"Access has been a big problem in health care," she points out, "as well as cultural differences. Some of our people, like my uncle, still like to use medicine men and traditional healers and there are conflicts between the older and younger generations on this."

Victoria McKee

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Turn for the worse

The way we live now, we have to believe what the stock market analysts are telling us and what they are telling us is that the way we live now may soon become the way we lived then. "We're now in a transitional phase back toward a mood of pessimism," says stock market analyst Robert Prechter. "It's an inevitable occurrence borne from human nature. Trends appear, society takes them as far as possible, then the trend reverses."

And not a moment too soon if you ask me. As a born pessimist, I have had a terrible time all through this yippy-doodah, yippy-xy, my, oh my what a wonderful day decade. Everyone has been hell-bent on having a good time and insisting that I come along for the ride, when a good time is the last thing I want. A good time is something you have to get dressed up for, go out for and stay up late for. I do not understand why people think it no end of a treat to go to a noisy restaurant, exclaim over the deliciousness of some leed carrot soup which has taken half an hour to arrive at their table and have smoke get in their eyes from other patrons' cigarettes, when they could be prepared in half the time and with a fraction of the cost with their elbows on the table,



Penny Perrick

reading the new Alison Lurie and not wearing shoes. Well, it seems that I am in the vanguard on this one. *New York* magazine, the periodical with its pages on the pulse of society, quotes an "erstwhile man-about-town" as saying, "I'm tired of dealing with waiters. I went in this new place, Tribeca, in Times Square the other night. The dia was deafening. I just wanted to get home."

The new pessimism has certainly got to him all right, and I'm sure he'll be a much happier man for it. Pessimism has its own pleasures, solitude being one of them. In optimistic eras, staying at home alone is regarded as suspect. A friend of mine lectures me constantly on "mooning around in that dingy basement". But this practice will soon be seen as so bang up-to-date that I wouldn't be surprised if *New York* magazine, not to mention *Vogue*, *Cosmopolitan* and *The Face* devoted whole features to me, captioned "the woman who contemplates life from her cool cellar".

When the underlying sadness of life is transformed into the everyday sadness of life, it means good news on the fashion front too. Out will go Christian Lacroix and all those other happy-go-lucky couturiers whose idea of a pretty dress was one that made their wearer look like a fro-frou skinned doll that very genteel people cover the lavatory-paper holder with. In comes "realism" and "simplicity". I like the sound of this. It smacks of long black cotton jersey skirts, thick ribbed tights and no lipstick. In other words, the Greek widow look which I have favoured for years.

"Gloom, ennui and self-pity" are going to part of the mood of music, *New York* magazine predicts. What a treat in store. Should I ever get tired of the sound of silence, I can play Frank Sinatra singing "In the Wee Small Hours of the Morning", or that lovely aria in *The Marriage of Figaro* which is all about love being a real dead duck.

I look forward to lonely evenings reading long, dolorous novels in a dimly-lit room while the rain dribbles on the window-pane. And I intend to make the most of it while it lasts because pessimists have a nasty way of swinging and, before you know it, happy days could be here again.

When women had to wait several weeks to find out if they were pregnant, they tended to keep the news quiet for several more. But now that home pregnancy tests can give a result on the first day of a missed period many are going public immediately. It is now possible to announce a two-week pregnancy. But how wise is it to do so?

Dr Mandy Donaldson, principal biochemist at the Chelsea Hospital for Women, who has studied the available tests in detail, believes that if they are done correctly they are as accurate as the manufacturers claim. "But I'm not convinced that it's a good idea to market tests that can be used on the first day of a missed period. About 60 per cent of conceptions are lost around that time, usually without the woman even knowing."

The boom in home test kits over the past three or four years follows the development of monoclonal antibodies which specifically identify the "pregnancy" hormone, human chorionic gonadotrophin. This is produced by the embryo at implantation and secreted in the woman's urine. There are now at least nine tests on the market, most selling for around £6 or £7.

The latest - First Response - takes only five minutes, can be done at any time of the day and, say the manufacturers, is 99 per cent accurate on the first day of a missed period. Next week sees the launch of

The test of time

Is earlier better for pregnancy testing?

Clear Blue One Step (£8.35 for a two-test pack), the only test, say its makers, which does not require the collection of a urine sample. It takes only three minutes and also offers accuracy on the first day of a missed period.

Dr Sue Gregson, scientific officer for the British Pregnancy Advisory Service, which deals with the whole spectrum of human fertility, feels that using such early tests can be "an emotional minefield. You may be discovering a pregnancy which is going to be lost anyway."

Obviously in rape cases, or where there may be a danger of an ectopic pregnancy, you need to know as soon as possible. But studying your cycle in detail is completely inappropriate for most people and may in itself cause stress which affects both ovulation and menstruation. Even where a pregnancy is unwanted, BPAS always advises women to wait a week after a missed period before

testing. Spokeswoman Diane Munday explains: "Sixty per cent of the tests we do are negative. If a woman waits six days her period may come anyway. So money for such tests may not be well spent."

The organization - which offers tests for £3 - is generally unhappy about home tests for desperate women. Munday points out that the moment a conception is confirmed can be "the toughest of all" for a young girl. "It's far better for there to be some human contact to reassure or counsel."

John Parsons, the consultant in charge of the infertility and assisted conception unit at King's College Hospital, however, believes the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages.

He says a woman who knows she is pregnant can stop harmful habits such as smoking or drinking. "And where there is a history of early miscarriage the sooner you know the better because in some cases you can do something to help prevent another."

Lea Jamieson, senior tutor at the Royal College of Midwives, believes early confirmation may be of even greater value as doctors perform earlier tests for foetal abnormalities. "I don't think it makes pregnancy feel any longer, in fact sharing the news seems to help the waiting."

Liz Gill

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THE ARTS

TELEVISION

Poodle patter

In the very small hours of Sunday morning, while solid citizens were abed and dreaming of fist-sized globes of custard winging back and forth across nets of spaghetti...

On one plush sofa sat Katie Boyle with a white poodle which bore an uncanny resemblance to Barbara Cartland. Unfortunately, Katie was feeling a little hoarse. When she found an insect in her orange juice, she hoarsely appealed for help to a hunt saboteur...

Goodness, it was all so polite. Others keeping their upper lips prised open were the naturalist Miriam Rothschild, who has spent 35 years researching fleas, and the bullfighter Frank "El Ingles" Evans, whom the presenter introduced as "well known in space".

Beneath the routine and well-practised speeches there lurked an untapped sump of comicality. The hunt saboteur confessed to a moral dilemma in being obliged to feed his cat on the recycled goblets of other animals, but went on to explain that he was only minding the pet for a friend who was serving time for trying to commit suicide by blowing up his house.

Meanwhile, Night Network (ITV) was showing old clips of The Partridge Family, which may or may not have been significant. Then Emma Freud asked her companion of the dove, David Essex, what sort of things kept him awake at night. "Nothing really," he responded. One took one's cue.

Martin Cropper

Chris Peachment talks to Keith Waterhouse about his novel, Our Song - and some personal matters

Waterhouse blues



NOCK ROGERS

Keith Waterhouse does not exactly suffer from writer's block. Our Song, which is published next Thursday (Hodder & Stoughton, £10.95) will be his tenth novel. Also on a CV as long as a Kray brother's record sheet are nine "general" books (including the Daily Mirror Style Book, which is currently revising for Penguin)...

"Well, that's quite a good trick there, isn't it?" says Waterhouse. "If you can make three hours' work look like it was written in five minutes, that's quite good."

Our Song is couched in the tricky, near-epistolary form of an extended reminiscence from a middle-aged man to a no longer present younger mistress. Not Kingsley Amis in one of his more savage moods of indignation.

Someone should draw a graph of the political progress of the Booker and compare it with a similar graph of the Miss World winners. Waterhouse kept up a two-weekly column in the Mirror for 16 years and is currently doing the same in the Daily Mail. "I love the kind of sort of English. It is full of gems and allusions and topical references, and story with undercurrents in it. It's like a code. You need to be some sort of sophisticate to understand the story at all."

Waterhouse is also collecting classic headlines, such as "Freddy Starr ate my hamster", for his book on tabloid style. It reminds him of "Shi'ites hit the van", which he duly stores in his notebook.

With his obsessive questioning about her past, Waterhouse says, "I really wanted to bang both their heads together by that point."

Somebody should draw a graph of the political progress of the Booker and compare it with a similar graph of the Miss World winners. "I imagine they look the same, one year's Miss World, the next a Third World one, the next an American."

The interesting thing is the way that certain words such as "rampage" or "crackdown" have now passed over into the TV news, but they aren't used in everyday language. You don't hear people saying "Er, our Kevin has gone on the rampage again. We'd better crack down on him, all that rampaging."

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"Nowadays the great headlines are in the Sunday paper. Aliens made my granddaughters, that sort of thing. I buy a copy and read it inside the News of the World."

I am a terrible hypochondriac. I have been surgically ill several times, but have cured myself by not going to the doctor.

Untrue to the form of a man who wrote The Theory and Practice of Lunch, Waterhouse confines himself to a lunch in one fish course and a few glasses of house wine about psychosurgery. "I have chips once every three months since I have been to the doctor to check my blood pressure. After he has given me the OK, I go to Steele's in Notting Hill and have cod and chips and champagne to celebrate."

"My hair is so odd," he continues, answering a question that I wouldn't dream of asking, "I'm exactly the same reason. I can't stand being in barber's chairs, lectured about football teams and so on. Being a captive audience is like hell for me. I don't take cabs for the same reason. I always want to hand the driver a card saying, 'Thank you for not talking on it. And then light a cigarette.'"

Working back, you might say My Country, Right or Wrong has done nothing for the standing of British political life and was right to do so. If programmes such as these - informative and well-judged - provoke such a response, what are we to think of the judgement of the responders?

In the light of this, I am campaigning for Oliver Ambrose Byrno to be co-opted for government. This razor-witted, first-class intellect in Moonman's (BBC) first-class political programme could only be a political programme. It is a political programme. It is a political programme. It is a political programme.

Wallace Rooney and saxophonist Billy Pierce seemed to spend more time signalling to the mixing desk than actually playing. After an unsuccessful flirtation with fusion music, their leader has now turned full circle, back to the intense improvisation of the mid-Sixties Miles Davis quintets. With former Jazz Messengers such as Pierce and pianist Mulgrew Miller alongside him, there are bound to be overtones, too, of Blakey-ish hard bop. The mixture is captured on last year's Blue Note LP, Civilization.

Since Williams is not the most startling of composers, and Rooney and Pierce are weighed down by the "neo-classical" tradition, there were few surprises in the first two-thirds of the set. Things finally stepped up a gear during the strident "Warrior", when the two horn players left the stage, and Miller, Williams and the young bassist Bob Hurst indulged in some furiously inventive choruses.

Clive Davis

Skipping between the clichés

THEATRE

Born Yesterday Royal Exchange, Manchester

For the first act of this revival of Garsoo Kanin's post-war hit comedy, it looks as though Broadway has got stuck about halfway to Manchester - or vice versa. The actors strain one way, then play the other; the comedy, dependent on razor-sharp timing and pungent characterization, vanishes.

It is largely Kanin's fault: in this first act he seems to be constantly deferring the hard-hitting socio-political play he promises with a mixture of romantic and film noir clichés. If he pulls off this cooju-

ring trick far more successfully in the second act, it is partly because he conflict between power and political freedom is finally given its head and also because the play's best character is given hers. Harry Brock is a millionaire junk-man who has come to Washington to bribe a senator to help him in his business interests.

Derrick O'Connor's craggy features, bruising cameraderie and (not always intentional) ham-fistedness, do not really cohere as a characterization, but the main problem is the liberal playwright's simplistic view of greed. Brock has some good lines ("Do you know how much junk there is in Europe, where the war was?" "No." "Nor do I, but I'd sure like to get hold of it"), but his thuggish stupidity is too easy a target.

At first, as his ex-chorus-girl

mistress Billie, Breoda Blethyn seems to be playing for cheap laughs with her affected gait and crashing vulgarities. But you begin to see the affectations as skin deep even before Billie is revealed as a political Eliza Doolittle. This is an ebullient clever performance, skipping so nimbly between the clichés that you almost forget they are there.

Her Professor Higgins is Paul Verrall, a young New Republic journalist hired by Brock to polish her social graces. Terrence Wilton does his solid, Shavian best but the character is no more than a liberal mouthpiece. The best supporting performance comes from Tom Watson, heavy lidded and venal as Brock's lawyer, Gregory Hersov directs.

Harry Eyres

The sound of competition

JAZZ

Chris McGregor/Tony Williams Quintet Queen Elizabeth Hall

A replacement of sorts for the Camden Jazz Week, the South Bank's "Sounds Good" season was always likely to be a poor relation to next week's Capital/JVC Jazz Parade. All the same, the size of the audiences on Friday and Saturday was disheartening, to say the least.

On Friday, the pianist Chris McGregor, returning with a new edition of the Brotherhood of Breath, suffered the added misfortune of having to compete with the Modern Jazz Quartet playing next door at the Festival Hall. There was the problem, too, of a sound-mix which undermined

most of the ensemble passages. As expected, the pianist concentrated on material from Country Cooking, an album which once again demonstrates his affinity for the township music of his native South Africa.

The large ensemble had no difficulty in reproducing the loose brass and reeds lines of a street band, even though the evening lacked the carefully plotted dramatic contrast of Abdullah Ibrahim's recent Loudoou concert.

Following a spirited trumpet solo by Claude Deppa, the most evocative playing came on the ballad "Maxine", dedicated to McGregor's wife.

With the band stripped down to a quintet, the sound quality improved as Steve Williamson produced a typically Coltraneesque solo which still failed to upstage Harry Beckett's thoughtful fugelhorn contribution.

The following evening, the Tony Williams Quintet found itself struggling against even worse acoustics. In the end, trumpeter

Wallace Rooney and saxophonist Billy Pierce seemed to spend more time signalling to the mixing desk than actually playing.

After an unsuccessful flirtation with fusion music, their leader has now turned full circle, back to the intense improvisation of the mid-Sixties Miles Davis quintets. With former Jazz Messengers such as Pierce and pianist Mulgrew Miller alongside him, there are bound to be overtones, too, of Blakey-ish hard bop. The mixture is captured on last year's Blue Note LP, Civilization.

Since Williams is not the most startling of composers, and Rooney and Pierce are weighed down by the "neo-classical" tradition, there were few surprises in the first two-thirds of the set. Things finally stepped up a gear during the strident "Warrior", when the two horn players left the stage, and Miller, Williams and the young bassist Bob Hurst indulged in some furiously inventive choruses.

Clive Davis

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CONCERT

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Some use it as a pillow and recline full length; some perch on it, Buddha-like; others clutch it to their breasts, like a shield, while surveying the canvasses. The little orange cushion which is the hallmark of the annual York and Music Fashion Concerts signalled the start of another season in which those under 30 can, for more than £3.50, wander round the RA Summer Exhibition, then sit among its exhibits listening to a short and undemanding concert.

Mendelssohn and the velvety acoustics flattered the Northern Sinfonia in the opening Symphony for Strings No. 10. Fuzi's acerbic lyricism showed the string players in their own true colours. Grant Llewellyn, conducting, emphasized the music's fierce luxuriance just as George MacDonald's clarinet responded by sharpening its focus, pointing its thorn textures with playing of witty character.

MacDonald started life playing the tenor saxophone in dance bands. His improvisatory imagination made him just the man for a slow movement which, in its meditative "saxa riposa" progress, slides by discreetly, using as many shifting tones of voice as were earlier compressed in the first virtuosic cadenza.

Even with the presence of the clarinet, four pieces for the same medium in a warm, clinging acoustic and with no interval, could have been something of a trial. But Llewellyn stirred the sultry air with his decisive approach to Grieg's Holberg Suite, the inner rhythms of its Prelude strongly motivated, its Gavotte an eternal upbeat. Villa-Lobos and his Bachianas Brasileiras did the rest with the knots of its contrapuntal denouement most cunningly tied and unravelled.

Hilary Finch

Mixed bag benefit

ROCK

David Bowie & Others Dominion

The first of two benefit concerts staged by the ICA on its own behalf, was mirrored by various irritations which tended to dampen enthusiasm. Some explanation of why the doots did not open until an hour after the advertised time would have been welcome. Was it an essential adjunct to the filming of the event that the audience should be bathed in such disconcertingly bright light for the early part of the show? And did simple deafness or some other mischievous disorder prompt the sound engineer to mix the groups' music at such screechingly loud volume levels?

The show began with a ritable set from the Irish group Microphony. Their singer, the thuggish Cathal Coughlan, performed the unusual party trick of battering himself on the head with his microphone until his face bled. A sorry state for sure, and hardly the kind of thing one would wish to see held up as representative of rock music's role in the progressive arts.

The Kronos Quartet, the outre string ensemble from San Francisco, provided an intriguing and amusing contrast with their skilful interpretations of compositions by Terry Riley, Philip Glass and others. The intrusive squalls of feedback emanating from the PA did not unduly hinder the rich impressionism of "Rice Pounding Music" nor a sublime rendition of Jimi Hendrix's "Purple Haze". The Woodotops' fans charged

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down to the front as the toast of the English independent scene, led by the engaging singer, Rolo McGorty, launched into an energetic and inventive set. Their colourful art-rock style, reminiscent of the Triffids, lacked the authority required to command attention so near the top of a bill at an event like this, but it was a commendable effort nonetheless.

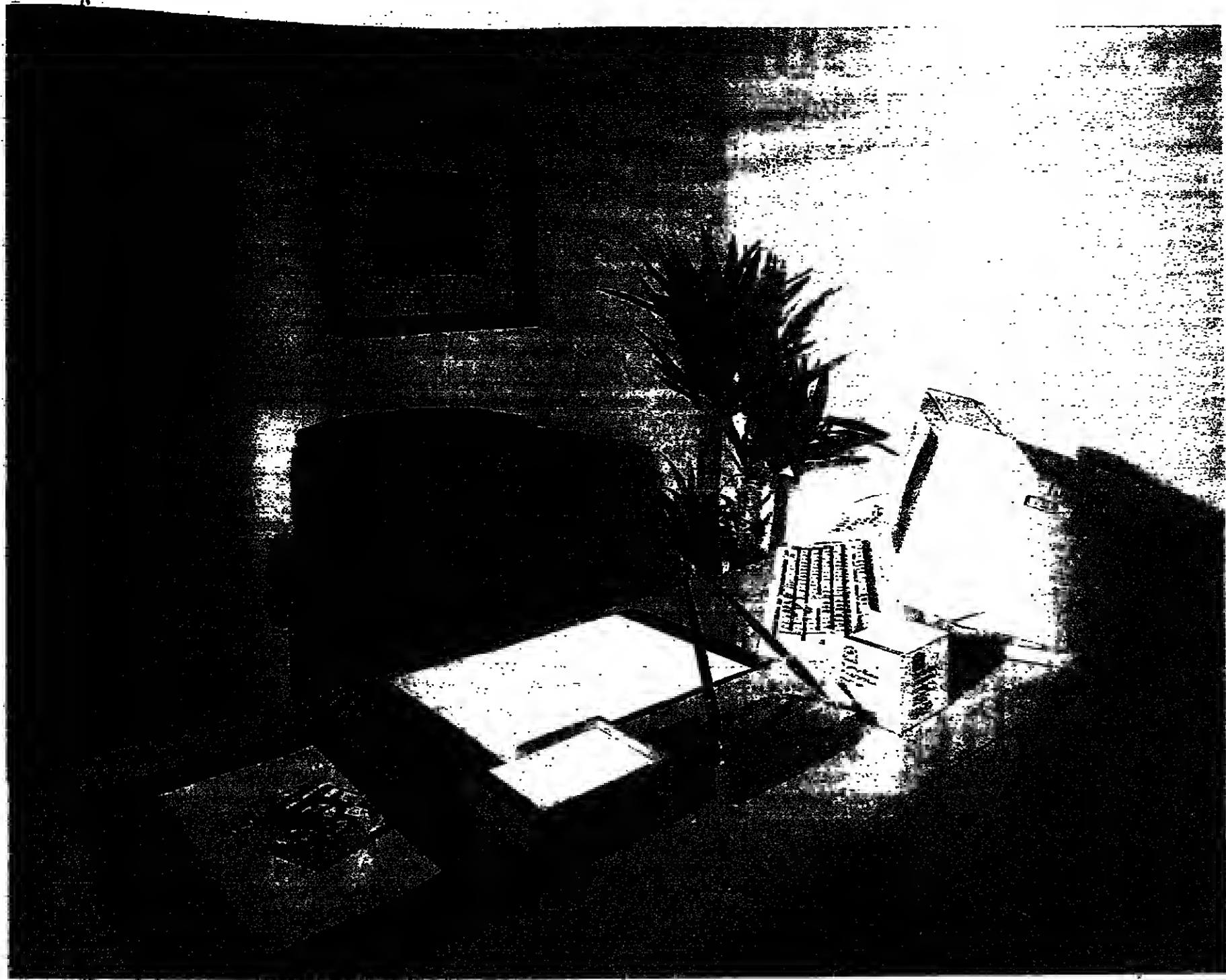
Finally David Bowie appeared with the dance troupe from Montreal, La-La-Humain Steps. He looked marvellously trim - and tanned, as he struck a few exaggerated poses while a muscular blonde hermaphrodite cowered around him. At the back two scientists and a busier player of neo-thrasherical variations of "Love, Rock 'n' Roll". The dancing was difficult to see because by this time most of the audience was standing on the seats. Bowie's singing was hard to hear. It ended after seven minutes, which seemed about as long as the idea merited.

David Sinclair

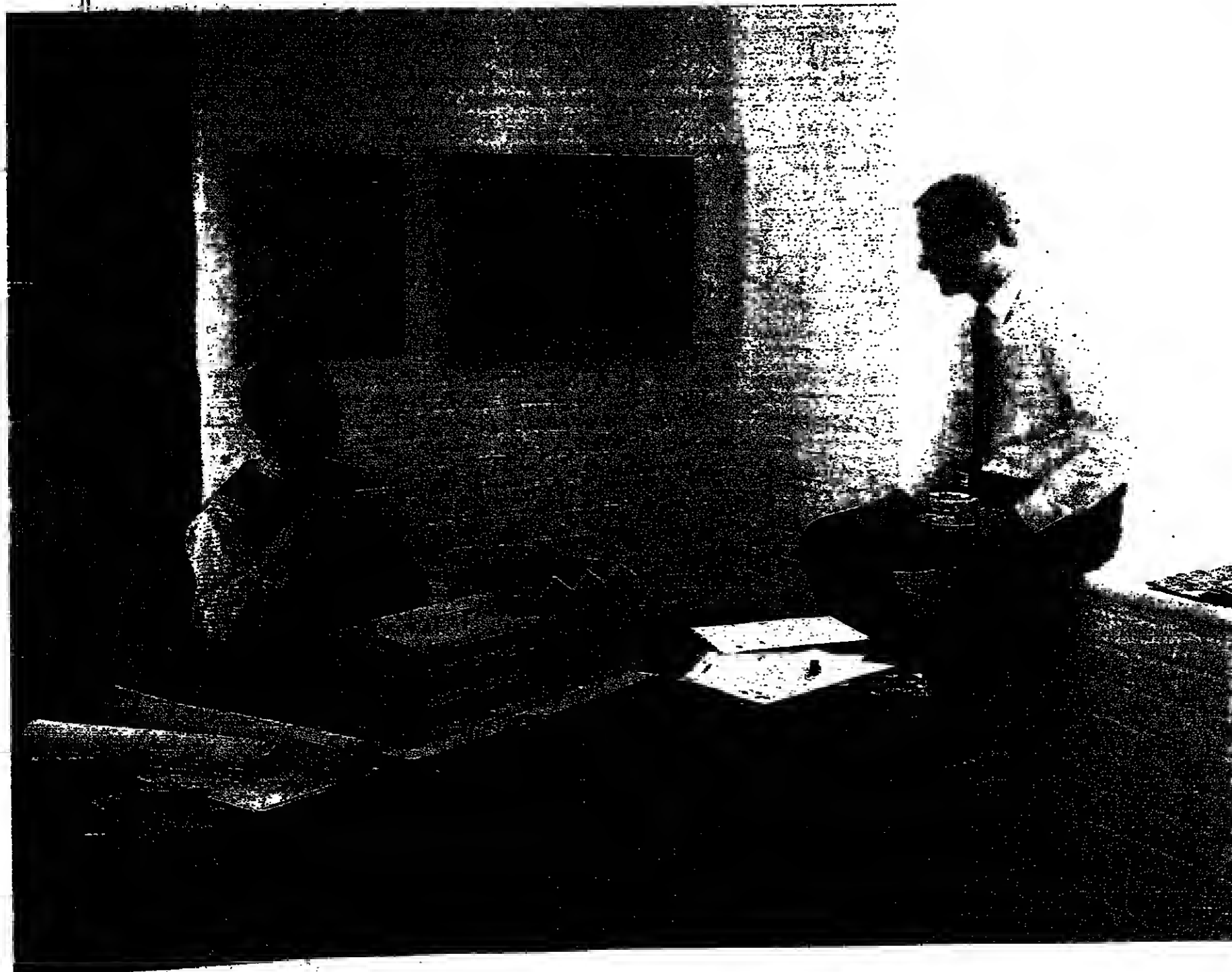
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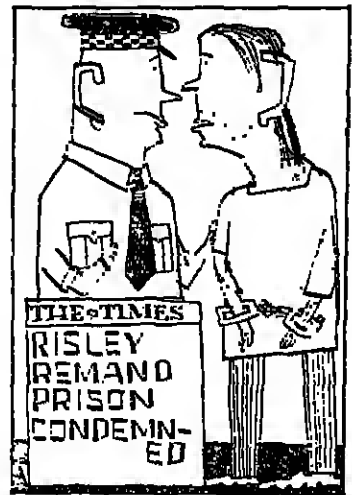
CLEMENT FREUD

The idea of raising parliamentary candidates' deposits from £150 to £500 was to deter the frivolous who felt about standing for election rather than Mr Jim Davidson professes to feel about weddings: "It's always a bloody good day out". There was a move in committee to make the deposit even higher but it was agreed that while the sum should be substantial in order to dissuade pranksters, it must not be beyond the financial reach of anyone with a serious political message to deliver. With an unprecedented 15 candidates jostling for recognition in the constituency of Kensington on Bastille Day it is clear that £500 is no disincentive.

The Representation of the People Act insists on balance for all branches of the media to mention all aspirants to Parliament when making mention of one. If they wish to speak or write of Mr Dudley Fishburn, widely expected to win (though when he last stood for the Isle of Wight I backed his opponent at 100-1 and collected), they must also mention Mr John Eamon Crawley, representing the Anti-Yuppie Revolutionary Vegetarian Visionaries. Mr Crawley has put up his monkey and thrown his hat into the ring. If he were in the business of self-publicity, £500 buys hardly anything: a PR man for a couple of days, a few column inches in a reputable newspaper's Personal Column; but at a by-election it obtains two weeks of almost solid mention and a free mail shot to every voter. I hope he makes use of it. I want to know what vegetarian visionism might do for pre-school education.

What should be done, should always have been the criterion for candidature, is the endorsement by a small percentage of the local electorate — one half of one per cent would be about right. In Kensington this would mean that in order to stand you would need the written blessing of 245 people on the electoral register. By my reckoning that would have simplified the ballot paper by over 50 per cent.

BARRY FANTONI



I watched the Becker-Lendl Wimbledon semi-final on my 26in Sony Trinitron (if I measure myself diagonally as TV set manufacturers measure their screens, I am 7ft 6in) and still found it extraordinarily difficult to pick out the commercials on the players' clothing. The best place for a recognizable message is immediately below the shoulder of the racket arm. Lendl's says AVIS. Becker's FORD. I got those during the warm-up. It required close attention during the first dozen games to distinguish the words on the other sleeve and glean that the German's upper right arm had been purchased by Coca-Cola. The Czech's by Gatoade, which sounds like a fizzy cake.

All manner of "plugs" are secreted about players' clothing and equipment, if you but knew where to look, had a set with an even larger screen or if the players kept still and the cameras focused on their right parts instead of having this compulsion to show racket, ball and court. What a blow it must be to a sponsor if the practitioner whose left sock bears his message is knocked out in an early round, what tragedy if he changes socks in mid-match.

At one point in the semi-final, while the world's numero uno helped himself to a slug of Robinson's lemon barley water, Becker sat on the sidelines trimming his forelock with scissors he had summoned in a previous break. What make of scissors, we all wanted to know? If haircutting during the match is permitted, might Mr Meier have shaved in the course of his bid to reach the final? What a hugely valuable scoop that would have been for a razor-blade company.

On a personal note I have long believed that smallish bald men should be able to get good money reeling their pates to do an Elton John and wear a hat. Forehead messages should be kept short. Avis or Ford are fine; companies with names like United Carlo Gatti Stevenson and Slater Limited must look elsewhere for poster sites.

● Driving down the A1, I gave a lift to two teenage girl hitch-hikers from a Black to a lady called Sara Keys who had a wretched time of it. The Right Hon Sir Terence Higgins, MP, PC, former Olympic athlete and academic, now economist and parliamentarian, is very frequently confused with Terence Higgins — the first known Aids victim in whose memory the Terence Higgins Trust was formed. Sir Terence distances himself from his former namesake, explaining the lack of connection, the outstanding achievements of the Trust. Now he has been invited to be guest of honour at the Braganza Ball in Soho on July 14 — profits to the other Terence Higgins organization. It is a bit like asking my friend Sara Keys to become secretary to the Star Chamber committee.

On the Aids front I have interesting news via the *Tourist Journal of Madeira*. Under the heading "Better to be Safe than Sorry" it discusses the effects of the virus and then states: "To avoid transmission... one must reduce one's number of sexual partners to a minimum and use preservatives during the sexual act."

The House of Bishops' report on the ordination of women to the priesthood, to be debated by the General Synod of the Church of England this afternoon, has been acclaimed by supporters and opponents alike as a fair and theologically grounded analysis of the main issues.

If it concentrates the Synod's mind upon the theological arguments it will have served the Church well. For 100 long each side has assumed that its theological case stands and needs no further defending.

Such neglect leaves the field either to a parade of psychological and political anxieties or to a crop of bizarre pseudo-doctrines. A Roman Catholic theologian told me recently that, if he were not already assured of the theological legitimacy of ordaining women as priests, he would have been convinced of it by the heretical nature of the arguments advanced against.

In its deliberations, the Synod must not allow the present obsession with human gender to confuse, for example, the Church's understanding of the Incarnation. What is essential to this doctrine is that Jesus Christ combined in himself Godhood and Manhood, which means the humanity common to men and women. Naturally Christ had to be either male or female, but in the context of the Incarnation

that is incidental. Not one of the great New Testament passages draws attention to Christ's maleness. The Word was made flesh, the common flesh of all human creatures.

Exactly the same inclusive humanity is the theme of the doctrine of Man and his creation. The Genesis accounts use the name Adam (human) rather than Ish (masculine man), except where the gender distinction is the point at issue. Adam may be the name of the male partner in the story but it is also the inclusive humanity which, male and female together, bears the image of God and is given responsible dominion over the rest of creation.

And it was the same humanity, man and woman together, which did in Adam fall, that forfeited the direct access to God and thereby lost the equilibrium of their complementarity. Thereafter priesthood had to involve life sacrifice as the means of healing the broken relationship. It is precisely this distorted

and exiled human nature, common to women and men, that Christ redeemed and restored by being the second Adam, the new Human Being. It is this that was offered back to God in the one, final sacrifice.

In truth, he is still the only fully human being, the only priest, but, incorporated into him by baptism, men and women can "put on Christ". In whom there is neither Jew nor Greek, neither slave nor free, neither male nor female.

This concept of being the one new manhood in Christ is alien to contemporary individualism; but is so central to Pauline theology that no subsequent doctrine of priesthood should be allowed to detract from it. It is essentially Christ in his Body, the Church who celebrates the Eucharist and who absolves, blesses and ordains, and no individual office should obscure this mystery of the congregation — or from the clergy, whether they be men or women.

The Bible must be given

supreme weight in the Synod's deliberations. Of course, St Paul's admonitions about male brushup cannot be cavalierly brushed aside. I would invite my fellow Evangelicals to look carefully at the texts and, as is their wont, to let Scripture as a whole be the arbiter. It will be seen that the texts that use the word "headship" and "subjection" refer to the relationship between husband and wife. Millennia of male domination have made it impossible to use those words without offence. Yet I believe that, if the sting of man's victimization and man's guilt could be drawn, there is an aspect of the complementarity of love in marriage which the two words, more sensitively translated, are attempting to describe.

But St Paul could never have supposed that this intimate reciprocity is literally transposable to the general inter-relationship of men and women, and when he applies the headship analogy in his attempt to

late unruly worship among the Christians in Corinth, he is clearly uneasy about its implications and falls into self-contradiction: forbidding the women to speak in the assembly yet ordering them to be veiled when they do so.

Those who look to Scripture for their guidance, as I believe we should, ought to set particular texts within the wider context of the great biblical affirmations: the image of God stamped upon all humanity, the headship of Christ over the whole Church, the lifting of the ancient curse of woman's unequal subjection so that all in the Church are subject one to another.

And there is the rub. Christian unity is the price to be paid in this profound commitment. The Synod must be aware of the effect its decision will have on developing patterns of relationships. Many in the Church of England feel that they have been betrayed by the decision regarding the ordination of women. The author was formerly Bishop of Winchester.

## John V. Taylor finds scriptural support for women priests

# Let the Bible arbitrate

Bernard Levin

# Golden hod and olden gods

I was not much interested in the battle over Rowtree, though I was glad when Keith Waterhouse reminded our generation that the name Nestlé was for us a foreign, sinister and unintelligible neologism: "Nestlé's" it was where Keith and I came from (the wrong side of the tracks, that is), and Nestlé's it will be until we go to meet the Great Whipped-Cream Walnut in the Sky.

But in some of the comments which followed the victory of Nestlé's a whole new world could be discerned coming to birth, and an old one being buried, and since I find the comparison between old worlds and new more interesting than the ownership of a chocolate factory, it is that comparison which shall be my text today.

The *Times* sent a reporter from the City staff to York, where Rowtree fought and fell, and the remarks made by some of the employees cast a most brilliant and powerful light on our society. Let us start with Mr Tony Blackburn: not the celebrated disc jockey but a 22-year-old bricklayer at Rowtree. "My shares," he said, "have increased by £4,000 in the last three months. I have made an absolute killing and would be foolish not to sell."

Now if anyone is reading this while sitting next to Mr Ron Todd in a train, it would be a most charitable action to fold the paper up at once and put it away; I do not greatly admire Mr Todd, as I have frequently made clear, but I wish him no harm, and I would be deeply distressed if he were to drop off the twig in the middle of one of my subordinate clauses.

The danger is real. A brickie? A 22-year-old brickie? A 22-year-old brickie holding shares? A 22-year-old brickie holding shares and making £4,000 clear with them in three months? Has civilization as we know it come to an end?

Indeed it has, and not before time. And its death throes could be heard in a comment from another Rowtree employee as the curtain fell: "The Government has sold us out. They should have stopped this and now our future is insecure."

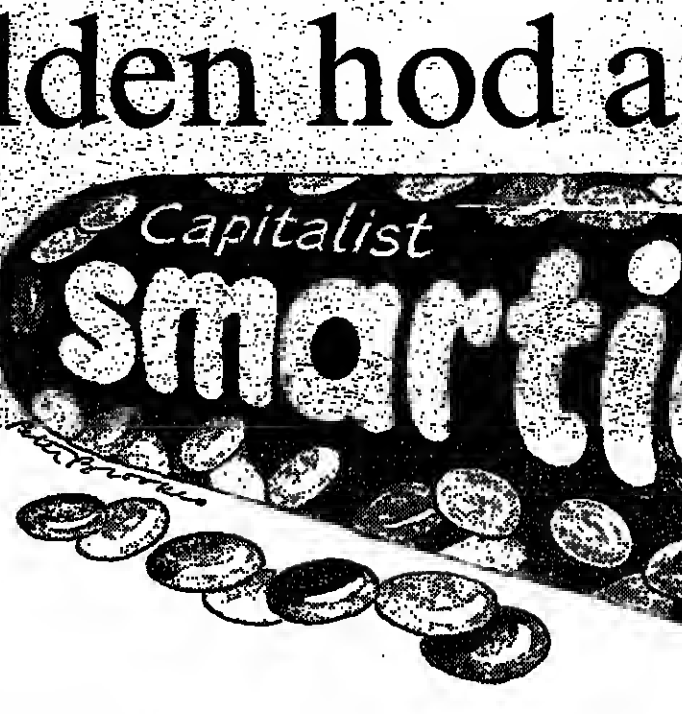
Mrs Thatcher has not been an inveterate reshuffler in the Wilson mode. But since she became Prime Minister at least 55 front benchers or ministers have been sacked and 28 have resigned, with a few others in the indeterminate middle ground between those two categories.

The Iron Lady image isn't always appropriate. Those around her say she does not find it easy to call in middle-rank ministers who have served her loyally but who are clearly going no further and tell them that the time has come for them to make way for someone who might.

The unsavoury aspect of Thatcher reshuffles has been the long period of semi-detachment that precedes some of her sackings. Often word has been spread that a minister is on the way out long before she has served herself for the deed. It happened to Patrick Jenkin and Peter Rees, to John Biffen and Francis Pym.

Most senior Conservatives believe the next changes at Cabinet level will wait until January, or even September, next year but that a middle-rank shake-up is quite likely in the autumn.

Mrs Thatcher tends to work to patterns. After forming her first government in May 1979 she had her first reshuffle in January 1981 and another in September 1981. Apart from the changes consequent on Foreign Office resignations over the Falklands in April 1982 those were her only major moves in that parliament, apart from the January 1983 shake-up to face the elections.



Have I exaggerated? Could there be a better demonstration of the difference between forwards and backwards than those two attitudes? Yes, there could. A third employee, whose more modest portfolio of 200 shares has more than doubled in price, has decided to hang on to them: the parable of the talents (see *Matthew* 25, 14-30) is complete.

Let us treat this story as an exercise in economics rather than moral philosophy. I do not ask you to look down on the poor soul who said "the Government" should have stopped the sale. Like millions of others, she has far too long worshipped the false gods of the Nanny State and is understandably dismayed when they fall to the assaults of the Industrial Revolution. I don't even ask you to look up to the bricklayer who lays golden bricks. Just tell me which approach is more likely to increase the prosperity of this country, including this country's poor.

This is not a straw in the wind; it is a very thick bough. And here comes a mighty oak. Mr Roy Lynd, president of the Union of Democratic Mine-workers, has been thinking aloud on the subject of the denationalization of the coal industry. While Mr Scargill demands the abolition of washing-machines in the interests of the mangle-makers, Mr Lynd has

been saying these remarkable words: "Nobody is going to come and buy the pits over our heads as we sit there like feudal serfs. If there are profits to be made in the industry, I want them to go to my members. Another option would be... to buy shares in any privatization scheme. I am not ruling anything out, but if we are going to have people investing in the industry we want a share of the spoils."

Well, of course they want a share of the spoils, and any proposals for the sale should take careful note of the UDM's wishes and ensure that it is made easy for them to buy not just shares in the flotation but pits or even groups of pits; after the management buy-out, the workers' buy-out.

And why not? It is true that "workers' control" has not hitherto been exactly a raving success, from the Meriden motorcycle co-operative to *News on Sunday*. But the Meriden experiment was built on foundations of previous failure, and *News on Sunday* had been pilgered beyond hope before the first issue appeared, some such law existed in all the other attempts. The coalfields of the UDM areas are another matter; they are strong, productive and sensibly organized, and a modest programme of rationalization would

make them a prize worth anyone's investment. And the key phrase to Mr Lynd's speech was the one which divides the future from the past as clearly as the two rival attitudes at Rowtree: "If there are profits to be made in the industry," he said, "I want them to go to my members."

That seems to me a most admirable statement of principle; but Mr Scargill would regard it as the final betrayal. The terrible truth is that trade union leaders like Scargill, and their militant followers, would be glad if there were no profits to go to the union members or anyone else, since the very idea of profit is permanently branded with the Mark of the Beast.

Except that now it is no longer permanent; new men with new ideas have begun to leave such stale crumbs and seek truly nourishing fare elsewhere. What, after all, was Sid doing when he bought his modest packet of privatized shares? He was practising what Mr Lynd has been expressing: that is, he was ensuring that if there were any profits to be made in the sell-off, he was going to have his bit of them.

The history of the British working classes is as ironic as it is tragic. Ground against the rock of Scylla in the form of the

bosses, they fought free, only to be engulfed in the whirlpool of Charybdis, which was their hopelessly inadequate union leadership. But the revolt of the masses has been gathering strength for some time now. Remember the man who was fined by his union, all those years ago, for carrying too many bricks at a time in his hod? It would be piquant beyond imagination if it should prove that he was the father of the Rowtree brick-layer-capitalist.

In a metaphorical sense, of course, he was the heroic hero, the hero who, when charged, declared that he would carry as many bricks as he could, and the number he could manage would be dictated by the strength of his brawny arms, not by the whims of his union's gods, Hammurabi. If it is his descendants today who, stuffing the wind, have small freedom, and once that heady scent gets enough noses the owners of the

cooses will never go back to the delights of stinking fish.

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## Commentary • ROBIN OAKLEY

# 83rd Foot, advance!

Back in office, and showing greater confidence, she reshuffled the 1983 government in September 1984; that was followed by another reshuffle in September 1985, and yet another in September 1986, despite changes after the Westland affair in January.

So we can expect another autumn clearance from a tidy-minded prime minister. With 374 Tory MPs, Mrs Thatcher would appear to have a rich field to choose from. But it isn't quite as easy as that. By my count, 61 first entered Parliament before the 1970 intake. Of those, 33 are ex-front benchers and 10 are in the Government today.

A further 47 date back to the 1970 parliament, including 12 ex-ministers and 10 ministers, while the two parliaments of 1974 gave entry to 24 MPs now in the Government and 13 who have sat on the front bench, with 62 in all still in Parliament.

There are also 62 Tory MPs remaining who entered Parliament at the 1979 general election or by-elections in that parliament; of these two are ex-ministers and 24 hold office today. Of the 86 dating from the 1983-87 parliament, Dick Tracey and George Wahlen have been on and off the front bench and another 12 are ministers now.

Fifty-three Conservative MPs were elected for the first time last year. So Mrs Thatcher does not, in practice, have quite such richness of choice. Of that total of 374 MPs, 80 are ministers already and no fewer than 62 have either been front-bench

spokesmen or ministers in the past.

Though there are ministers in the present team who have returned to office after resigning or being dropped (George Younger, Richard Luce, Douglas Hogg, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton) such occurrences are rare and it seems fair enough to exclude that category too. So the total of 374 shrinks rapidly to 232 possibilities.

Exclude from the list of potential ministers, as Mrs Thatcher's last few reshuffles suggest she has done, all those MPs who entered the Commons before 1979 and who have failed in all that time to win promotion and a further 72 names must be crossed off the list. (Although it seems remarkable that such a Robert McCrindle, Alan Haselhurst, Michael Latham, David Madel and Michael Mates have not advanced while lesser men have, it seems unlikely that she will relent in their case now.)

Clearly the bulk of the 1987 intake will not be considered up to it, which takes out another 53. So for practical purposes that list of 374 Conservative MPs comes down to just over 100. Much more promising odds if you are in one of the hopeful categories.

Count here in fact be a promotion from the 1987 intake? There are a few who have impressed their colleagues, notably David Curry, Gillian Shephard and the less popular but clearly high-flying John Redwood. But eager would-be ministers in the 1987 intake should

note that John Patten, the first to be promoted from the 1979 influx, had to wait until January 1981 for his chance. The September 1984 reshuffle contained an ominous foreshadowing of the new intake.

On past precedent it is the 1983 intake which will provide the bulk of those who are advanced in the present parliament, though Mrs Thatcher is wise she will favour them with the occasional promotion from the Tories who came to power with her in 1979. One of those, Robert Adkins, was his sponsor for the first time when she formed her latest government and it would not do to signal just yet to the 36 backbenchers in that intake that they have been forgotten generation. Careers as well as cricks need to support when votes get tight.

Anyone in with a chance should not turn up his nose, as one or two have done, at the Whips office. A spell there launched the careers of Nigel Lawson, Cecil Parkinson and John Major. Of the 14 Whips when Mrs Thatcher formed her first government two are now dead and one has retired. Of the other 11, only Michael Jopling and Sir John Stradling Thomas are on the back benches. Meanwhile John Wakeham, John MacGregor, Peter Brooke, Tony Newton, David Waddington, John Cope, Peter Morrison, Robert Boswell and Lord James Douglas-Hamilton all retain government posts.

In a chance game, that shows real qualities of adhesion.

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(From the correspondence)

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My own imagination is haunted by the spectacle of Carpentier, springing on to the raised ring, a blithe and smiling model for any sculptor, and of his appearance less than 20 minutes later as he lay dazed and disfigured by the terrific punishment he had received. The contrast between the two men at the first round was begun was almost poignant. Dempsey, in spite of his scowling expression and his bristling face — purposely left unshaven for several days — presented a magnificent spectacle of physical strength. He

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Archaeology

A voyage around the Indian Ocean

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent
Archaeologists from all over the world assemble at the British Museum in London today to discuss one of the most-travelled and least-known areas of antiquity, the Indian Ocean...

Amateur sweeps the board

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent
Modern delphiniums are largely the result of breeding programmes undertaken by the amateur growers of their newest varieties were exhibited at the Delphinium Society's show, held at the weekend at Wisley Garden, Surrey...

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Jean Pierre Blanchard, balloonist and pilot; aviator, Lt Anthony; writer, Salem, Massachusetts, 1804; Giuseppe Garibaldi, Italian patriot, Nice, 1807; Stephen Foster, song writer, Pittsburgh, 1816; Hugo Winckler, archaeologist, Graftenau, Germany, 1863; Calvin Coolidge, 30th president of the USA 1923-29; Plymouth Notch, Vermont, 1872; Louis Armstrong, New Orleans, 1900...

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UK's key role in food production

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent
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INFORMATION SERVICE

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BACK WITH A VENGEANCE: Dame Edna Everage back again joshing the possums. Strand Theatre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 2660). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 7.45pm, mat 5.15pm, mat Sat 5.30pm, £5.50-17.50. Ends July 9. (D)

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Three steps to success

In 1960 Adam Faith's "Poor Me" reached number one in the British Hit Parade, Lonnie Donegan became a household name in his song about his old man, and the Every Brothers stayed at the top of the charts all summer with "Cathy's Clown". In that same year Gene Vincent, whose "Be Bop A Lula" had climbed to number 16 four years earlier, and Eddie Cochran, boasting a current number three with "Three Steps to Heaven" set off on a British tour, supported by Billy Fury, George Fane and Joe Brown. The triumphs of this tour, along with the hardship, crises, gut-ache and typical frenzy, are the

CROCODILE DUNDEE II (PG): Disappointingly first sequel to the runaway Aussie hit... THROW MOMMA FROM THE TRAIN (15): Delightfully jaunty black comedy... WINGS OF DESIRE (15): Wim Wenders's epic tale of two angels watching over the citizens of Berlin...

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COVENTRY: St. Bene's Necessities: Erotic action on a hypertechnic conspiracy... MANCHESTER: Born Yesterday: Brenda Blethyn plays the archetypal dumb blonde in a welcome revival of a great comedy... FILMS: Also on national release... BARETT'S FEAST (U): One of Karen Brown's lighter tales, immaculately transferred to the screen...

HAIRSPRAY (PG): Nutty comedy from director John Waters... SEPTEMBER (PG): Woody Allen in narrative, Checco Zalone in musical...

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CANTRIP (A Scottish for a spell or piece of mischief, perhaps from the Gaelic canntairich: "Planting Long Life the Emperor as though that were a cantrip solvent of crazed panic and cowardice.")

TELEVISION TOP 10
National top 10 programmes in the week ending June 25:
BBC1: EastEnders (Tue/Sun) 15.00pm, Coronation Street (Mon/Sat) 7.15pm...

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1 New York mayor (4)
2 Petrol quality measure (16)
3 Birdweed (11)
10 Surface air missile (3)
11 Following (5)
12 Unyielding (7)
14 Charged atom (3)
15 Junk (3)
16 Differ (7)
17 Earlobe hairs (5)
19 Split (3)
22 Suet fruit pudding (7,4)
23 Income (6)
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ROCK
LOS LOBOS: The Tex-Mex troubadours from East LA whose stock remains buoyant a few years on... WET WET WET: It's soul, as they keep insisting, or are they old-fashioned teeny-pop stars as everyone else seems to think?

DANCE
NOMADS: A funny original work by Dutch choreographer Han Thoen... DAVID GENTLEMAN'S COASTLINE: Seaside watercolours of the British Isles...

GALLERIES
ANDREW SABINE: A one-day show for a young sculptor selected for exhibition by Turner Prize winner Richard Deacon... ROBERT TILLING: Paintings and prints illustrating poems by Ronald Harpelle...

WALKS
LEGAL LONDON - THE INNS OF COURT AND LAW COURTS meet Temple tube, 11am, £2 (also next Mon)... POLITICAL LONDON - GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENT: meet Westminster tube, 11.30am, £2 (also next Mon).

SUMMER SALES
TODAY
SOCK SHOP, all branches nationwide, for about four weeks... TOMORROW
LUCIENNE PHILLIPS, 89 Knightsbridge, SW1 (01-235 2134), until end July.

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OTHER EVENTS
ROYAL SHOW: Biggest agricultural show of its kind in Europe with over 7,000 exhibitors... MADE ON MERSEYSIDE: Professor Heinz Wolf, director of the Brunel Institute for Engineering, opens the exhibition at 6.30pm with Christine Nixon...

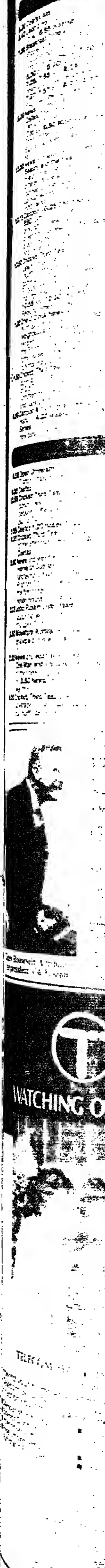
BOOKINGS
MALTINGS PROMS: More than 500 musicians and artists perform in 30-night concert series, including the League of Nations Orchestra and Camilla Parovoz...

BBC PROMENADE CONCERTS: Booking open for this year's concerts which will feature the Royal Academy of Music, the BBC Concert Orchestra...

BOND WINNERS
Winning numbers in the weekly National Lottery draw are: £100,000, 22K 231287 (the winner lives in Lambeth, London); £50,000; 4CM 7157897 (Luton); £25,000; 11YK 573919 (Westminster, London).

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

Compiled by Peter Dear and Jane Rackham

BBC1

- 6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.40 Leap Frog in Cactus Cuts Up (b/w). 7.00 Breakfast Time with John Stapleton and Kirsty Wark. Includes national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30; weather at 7.30, 7.55 and 8.25; regional news and travel reports at 7.37, 7.57 and 8.27, 8.55. Regional news and weather. 8.00 News and weather followed by Dallas. The jury adjourns in Jenna's murder trial (r). (Series) 8.30 Mind How You Go. Programme abt Jimmy Savile's accident prevention series (r). 10.00 News and weather followed by Beauty is in the Eye. This first of the programmes exploring different societies' idea of beauty follows on from a young Sri Lankan woman preparing for her Hindu wedding (r). 10.15 Cartoon 10.25 Children's BBC. Simon Parkin with programme news and birthday greetings followed by Play School, presented by Iain Louchman and Lesley Woods (r). 10.30 Cricket: Third Test. Tony Lewis introduces coverage of the fourth morning's play in the game at Old Trafford between England and the West Indies. Includes news and weather at 10.45 and 12.00, 12.55. Regional news and weather. 1.00 O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather. 1.30 Neighbours. Mrs Mangel receives distressing news; while the Robinsons worry that they skeletons will be aired in a national magazine. 1.50 Cricket: Third Test. Further coverage of the fourth day's play at Old Trafford. The commentators are Richie Benaud and Jack Banister. 4.00 Cartoon 4.10 Yogi's Treasure Hunt (r). 4.30 Roland Rat - The Series II. The guests include a new band, Lilo Time.

BBC2

- 6.55 Open University: Maths - Transformation in Action. 9.00 Ceefax. 12.55 Cricket: Third Test. The closing overs of the morning session of the fourth day's play at Old Trafford. 1.05 Ceefax: 1.30 Hockey: Cokey (r). 1.35 Cricket: Third Test. The start of the afternoon session. 1.50 Ceefax. 2.00 News and weather followed by Home on Sunday. Cliff Michelson meets Mother Frances Dominica who founded the first hospice for children, Helen House (r). (Ceefax) 2.35 John Ruskin Lived Here. John Julius Norwich visits Brantwood in the Lake District (r). 2.50 Miniature Worlds. An insect's aview of the wildlife of a garden (r). 3.00 News and weather followed by One and His Dog. Host one of the sheepdog championship (r). 3.30 News, regional news and weather. 4.00 Cricket: Third Test. Live coverage of the closing session of the fourth day's play.

ITV/LONDON

- 6.00 TV-am begins with The Morning Programme introduced by Richard Lyle. 7.00 Good Morning Britain. Hosted by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. After Nine includes advice on toys for the under-fives. 8.25 Thames news. 8.30 Passover. Word association game 10.00 Santa Barbara. 10.25 News headlines. 10.30 The Time... The Place... Khalid Aziz chairs a discussion on a topical subject 11.10 Let's Pretend to the tale of The Top 1.25 Thames news headlines. 11.30 Doctors and Patients. Three couples describe how they coped with learning that their babies were mentally handicapped (r). 12.00 Survival: Making Day for the Pumpboos Gang. How a marauding gang of baboons, threatened by farmers whose crops they were destroying, were moved out of harms way (r). 12.30 The Sun. 1.00 News at One 1.30 Thames news. 1.30 Film: The Lady Vanishes (1979) starring Elliott Gould, Herbert Lom, Cybill Shepherd and Angela Lansbury. A right-headed re-make of the Hitchcock thriller about the disappearance of an English nanny on board a train in pre-war World War Germany. Directed by Anthony Page. 2.35 Thames news headlines. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 4.00 Tickle on the Tum. Village tales starring Jim Broadbent and a Dub Dub (r). 4.30 Young Krypton. The start of Group B. (Ceefax) 4.45 Dramarama: Making Waves starring Jim Broadbent and Uncle Keith & 15 Give Us a Clue. Celebrity themes (r). 5.45 News 6.00 Thames news. 6.30 Reporting London investigates transport in the capital and includes an interview with the secretary of state for transport, Paul Channon.

CHANNEL 4

- 12.00 Just 4 Fun. 12.30 Business Daily. 1.00 News. Pre-school learning series: The guest is Lena Horne. 2.00 Film: For the Love of Mary (1948, b/w) starring Deanna Durbin in her last role. Romantic comedy about a White House telephonist being pursued by three suitors. Directed by Frederick Coe. 2.40 The German Game. Crime series set in a German clinic. 4.30 Countdown. Today's challenger is Gareth Hughes from Llay, Wrexham. 5.00 The Minsters (b/w). Vintage American sitcom. 5.30 The Beverly Hillsbillies (b/w). The Clametts decide to rent out rooms in their mansion. Their first guest is a neighbour's English butler. 6.00 Same Difference. This week's edition of the magazine series of interest to the disabled includes a report on the chronic shortage of speech therapists and an interview with blind playwright Rosie Logan. 6.30 Tour de France 1988. Highlights of the first two stages of the Tour de France which began today with a 95.5km ride from Pontchateau in western France to Macheuc followed by a time trial of 45km to Ancoise. Presented by Richard Kay. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.50 Comment followed by Weather. 8.00 Brookside. Sheila returns from the States to look about the sale of the house. 8.30 The Indomitable Teddy Roosevelt. A documentary about the life and times of the 26th president of the United States. 10.20 The Evening Hour. This first of a series of four programmes about fishing in Ireland focuses on the time of the year when the mayfly hatches on Lough Arrow, (Ceefax) 10.30 The Evening Hour. Spirit of Albion. Members of travelling communities give their views on life in Britain today (r). 12.00 Network 7 includes guests Kim Wilde and Ricki Lake (r). Ends at 2.00am.



Going Dutch: Magenta De Vine and Sankha Guha visit Amsterdam to present the first in a series of insider's guides to eight European cities (Rough Guide to Europe: BBC2, 6.35pm)

Doing the Continental

The first of an eight-part series beamed at the upper teenage market, Rough Guide to Europe (BBC2, 6.35pm) visits Amsterdam. Presumably to whet our appetites, we are told that the city was once "the sio bin of Europe". Now it is being taken over by yuppies. The police are cracking down on squatters. But gays can walk hand in hand on the streets and are better tolerated than in most cities. There is much about prostitutes and drug addicts. In fact, the show makes a lot of assumptions about what 16-20 year olds are interested in. They are assumed not to be interested in high culture. Van Gogh, "the greatest Dutch painter after Rembrandt", is dismissed in an Esther Rantzen-style vox pop about how to pronounce his name. Rembrandt is simply dismissed. There is a potted history of Dutch rock music, mainly to show how bad it is. The show is presented by

TELEVISION CHOICE

Magenta De Vine, who wears dark glasses even when there is no sun, and Sankha Guha. Magenta visits a shoe shop for people with large feet and recommends eating Belgian, rather than Dutch, chips, because they are not frozen. Our cheery duo also alert us to the hazards of dog dirt and having your bike stolen. Interspersed with these location reports are useful facts about how to travel, where to stay and go and what it costs. But this information flashes by far too quickly to be taken down. Presented in a restless rock video style, Rough Guide to Europe leans over backwards to be smart and modern. It may seem a long way from the blandness of Holiday '88 but underneath the glitter of the frenetic cutting, split screens and

rest, it is not a lot more critical. ● Horizon (BBC2, 8.15pm) signs off for the summer with American physicist, Richard Feynman. He worked with Oppenheimer on the atomic bomb and won a Nobel Prize. He was a member of the Presidential Commission on the Challenger shuttle disaster, producing a minority report highly critical of the space administration. But aside from these public activities he was a man with a huge enjoyment of life and its more eccentric aspects. His lifelong obsession was to visit Tannu Tuva, a remote country in central Asia he first heard about when he saw it on a postage stamp. He had no scientific motive, just the fun of going where few Westerners had ever gone. He never made it. The invitation finally came through in February, two days after his death from cancer. Peter Waymark

Dubious liquid assets

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FT 30 Share 1485.1 (-9.8)	US dollar 1.7005 (-0.0260)
FT-SE 100 1858.2 (-13.1)	W German mark 3.0941 (-0.0386)
USM (Datastream) 162.03 (+0.78)	Trade-weighted 75.0 (-0.6)

Executive Editor  
David Brewerton

## Baker warning on trade curbs

From Bailey Morris Washington

Mr James Baker, the Treasury Secretary, on the eve of the passage through Congress of a new trade bill, has warned that protectionism in the United States remains a serious threat that will haunt the next Administration.

Mr Baker's warning, in an interview with *The Times*, comes after the statements of Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that the Group Seven had been able to achieve only a partial agreement on protectionism in Toronto because of the deep divisions which remained between the US and the European Community over agricultural subsidies.

But Mr Baker gives credit to President Reagan and to the close co-operation among the G7 nations for turning back an early wave of protectionist legislation which could have triggered a disastrous, 1930s style response.

"Had we not had the co-ordination process (among the G7 nations) we would have passed a seriously protectionist trade bill. The US was moving rapidly towards this in 1984 and 1985."

He claimed this as one of the victories of President Reagan's Administration as speculation increased that Mr Baker will step down as Treasury Secretary to run the election campaign of Vice President George Bush.

He also said that the special relationship which existed between President Reagan and Mrs Thatcher also existed between him and Mr Lawson.

Mr Baker's comments followed a private meeting of US cabinet officials in which he advised them to avoid all comment on the rapidly rising dollar which had created a delicate situation for the US.

His statements were seen as a pre-emptive attempt to avoid confusion and turmoil in markets as a result of conflicting interpretations and possible conflicts within the Administration of the dollar's rapid rise.

Mr Baker has stated strongly that in reaffirming their commitment to decisions taken last December 22, the G7 nations has opted to stay the course on exchange rates and would intervene.

This co-ordination process, was a "political mechanism" which had allowed the industrialized nations to emerge virtually unscathed from the October crash.

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# TSA takes a tough line with brokers

By Geoffrey Foster

Several stockbroking firms may be forced out of business because of the tough new stance which The Securities Association, the watchdog for brokers, is adopting towards firms which have applied for membership.

Guy Puckle, the four-partner stockbroking firm, has been told that it will not be authorized to fall foul of The Securities Association, which has taken over the regulation of Stock Exchange members and member firms under the Financial Services Act.

It is likely that a number of other stockbroking firms will face a struggle to satisfy the more stringent criteria laid down by the TSA.

Mr Bill Collins, senior partner of Guy Puckle and a Stock Exchange member since 1965, said: "We have lodged our appeal which will be heard on July 16. The TSA's case for disallowing us to trade is a fragile one and would, I feel, be kicked out in a court of law."

Stockbrokers need membership of The Securities Association to carry out investment business. Mr Collins says that if Guy Puckle cannot overturn the TSA's decision the firm will have to close.

Mr Collins and his colleagues are meanwhile free to continue operating as normal until the appeal procedure is exhausted - or they secure TSA membership. This is because the firm has interim authorization from TSA which it received automatically because it submitted an application for membership by the April deadline for investment businesses under the Financial Services Act.

It appears that the TSA is clamping down on any Stock Exchange member firm which has transgressed the Exchange's rules in the past. This has led to its rejection of Guy Puckle, which has a reputation of being one of the more colourful and controversial of the member firms.

A couple of years ago, Mr Collins and another partner were called to the 23rd floor of the Stock Exchange tower block and heard that a disciplinary committee had reprimanded them over the late

booking of bargains and dealings for an expelled member. A number of other charges against Guy Puckle, however, were dropped and the Stock Exchange allowed the firm to carry on its business.

Last November an associate member of Guy Puckle was fined £10,000, with £500 costs, for making multiple share applications. Mr Raymond Jilins, a Stock Exchange member since 1971, pleaded guilty to 10 charges of making 239 applications for shares in British Aerospace which was privatized in May 1985. He used seven addresses and 132 of his applications were successful.

Mr Collins declined to specify the reasons for his firm's rejection by TSA. He did however point out that "one requires vastly more money to transact business these days" - a reference to the new capital adequacy requirements for member firms.

Guy Puckle's appeal is to TSA's authorization committee. If this is unsuccessful then it has the right to launch a further appeal to the newly created Financial Services Tribunal.

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## Restaurateur keeps his options open



Proud owner: chairman Ronnie Aitken in his Oyster Bar (Photograph: Mark Pepper)

## Bentley's chief awaits better price after rejecting £5m bid

By Our City Staff

Mr Ronnie Aitken, the chairman of Bentley's of Piccadilly, the former Oodles restaurant group, is proud of his Oyster Bar "flagship" restaurant in Swallow Street, Piccadilly. A lavish refurbishment of the premises, he says, has turned it into "the best fish restaurant in London."

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Mr Aitken immediately rejected the offer as "totally unacceptable," particularly as the day before the bid, his board had held amicable bid discussions with LI, at a price "substantially in excess" of 8p.

Nevertheless, Mr Aitken holds Mr Forsyth in high esteem and has continued to have "friendly" takeover discussions with LI and an increased offer is likely before the end of the week.

A bid from a third party also cannot be ruled out because discussions have been held with other interested parties. Mr Aitken knows how much his business is really worth and is in no rush to sell unless

a very good offer is made. Those Bentley's shareholders, who witnessed the Stock Exchange suspension of the shares under Rule 535(2) at the beginning of June, will eventually have the final say.

The lack of management information has made it hard to value the Bentley's business as shareholders and analysts alike are still awaiting the group's full-year results to December 1987. Their publication has been delayed for some time by "persistent computer problems," says Mr Aitken.

The group incurred a £430,000 pre-tax loss in 1986, after a £112,000 profit the year before.

## Mortgage pressure grows as fifth base rate rise looms

By Rodney Lord, Economics Editor

Markets expect a fifth increase in base rates early this week taking rates back into double figures for the first time since the stock market crash.

The general expectation is a rise of ½ per cent to 10 per cent, but some dealers believe an increase of 1 per cent is on the cards in order to have maximum impact on inflation expectations.

Any further rise in base rates is likely to raise mortgage rates from their present 9.75 per cent. After the banks' increase last week the leading building societies said they would wait and see.

The increase in base rates came too late for them to raise rates from the beginning of the following month but they indicated that any further tightening of monetary policy was likely to force an increase.

Inflows of savings into the societies have been at a high level since the market crash last October. This has helped fuel the boom in the housing

market which has produced rapid increases in house prices. The rise has been further increased since the Budget by buyers wanting to share ownership of a home before the new limit on tax relief per property is introduced next month.

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, is thought to be ready to see a rise in mortgage

his policy of exchange rate stability. Money markets are discounting at least ½ per cent with the three-month interbank rate ½ per cent firmer on Friday at 10½ per cent.

Markets are worried about the rapid deterioration in the balance of payments and other signs of inflationary pressure.

These fears have been reinforced by evidence of an acceleration in the rate of growth in the narrow measure of the money supply, M0, which appears to be growing at about 7½ per cent compared with its target range of 1-5 per cent. Mr Peter Spencer of Credit Suisse First Boston said the rapid growth related to the payment of Budget tax cuts.

Figures due today on the official reserves are expected to show a fall last month, reflecting the Bank of England's action in joining co-ordinated intervention by European central banks to stem the dollar's rise.

rates in order to carry the tightening of monetary policy to the sector which has shown the most obvious signs of inflationary pressure. He will prefer to move rates when he chooses, though it seems unlikely he can hold out until after the Kensington by-election on Thursday week.

Sterling finished last week easier against the dollar in spite of the ½ per cent rise in base rates, giving Mr Lawson, scope to raise rates in line with

the dollar's rise.

## Cathay close to Airbus order

By Our City Staff

Cathay Pacific, the Hong Kong based airline, is believed to be close to finalizing a \$500 million (£294.11 million) order for 12 A330 Airbus powered by the latest version of the Rolls-Royce RB211 engine.

The order will bring close on \$500 million of work to be shared by British Aerospace, which manufactures wings for the Airbus, and Rolls-Royce.

Airline industry circles were saying last night that confirmation of the order would give a strong boost to prospects of further business for Rolls's

latest engine development, the RB211-L. The decision by Cathay Pacific is the first firm large scale order for the new engine, the most powerful in the world.

US made units from General Electric and Pratt & Whitney have powered the previously ordered Airbus. The L variant develops 65,000lbs thrust and is capable of expansion to 75,000lb. Development costs of the engine will be about £300 million. Rolls-Royce is expected to apply for Government launch aid.

The company estimates that more than 60 per cent of the anticipated aero-engine spending forecast by non-Commonwealth countries in the next 15 years will be on high-thrust units such as the RB211-L.

Aviation industry sources were last night discounting the suggestion that the order is part of an unofficial "routes for orders" deal between Cathay Pacific and the British Government which is discussing the reorganization of services from Hong Kong in the run-up to 1997.

## 'Optimism rides high' in Britain

By David Smith Economics Correspondent

Business optimism in Britain is higher than in other industrial countries, including the United States, France, West Germany, Switzerland and the Netherlands, a report shows.

The quarterly survey of business optimism and expectations, compiled by Dun & Bradstreet International, shows a rise in optimism in British business into the third quarter.

It also shows a drop in the index of firms expecting to raise prices, suggesting concern over a sharp upturn in inflation has been overcome.

Optimism is highest in construction and manufacturing, other than durable goods, and has risen in retailing.

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## Shareholders get the front row treatment at General Cinema

By David Brewerton

In a dining room deep beneath General Cinema's Boston, Massachusetts, headquarters, J.A. Wood "Woody" Ives, vice chairman, says: "We really do run the company for the benefit of shareholders." His chairman, Richard "Dick" Smith, pauses between mouthfuls, looks me straight in the eye, and re-inforces Woody's words: "You're darn right we do."



Smith and Ives: "company run for benefit of investors"

The group, which controls 18.4 per cent of Cadbury Schweppes, in which it no longer wishes to be regarded as a passive investor, is itself bid-proof. Its destiny is more firmly in the grip of Dick Smith and his family than the Savoy is controlled by the old D'Oyly Carte brigade.

General Cinema erected an impenetrable voting wall a few years ago, when shareholders approved a class B share which outvotes the ordinaries 10 to one. The Smiths' own 99.9 per cent, and their high votes lasts as long as they hold at least 12.5 per cent.

They now own 30 per cent, which means the company could issue a billion and a half of common stock before they were diluted below 12.5 per cent.

The Securities and Exchange Commission is this week expected to rule that lopsided voting structures are out, but companies such as General Cinema will have their structures grandfathered so their protection can continue. Dick is quite candid that the scheme was put forward to bid-proof the company at a time when earnings were going nowhere. In the year to October 1986, earnings per share were \$1.25. Last year they dipped to \$1.18 and

analysts are expecting between \$1.10 and \$1.15 this year.

The group is half-way through a seven-year programme of investment in its cinema business, and the problem is that new theatres lose money for the first year or two.

The earnings pattern is also dented by the investment in Cadbury which does not cover the interest costs. On the other hand, the earnings level fails to reflect the near-\$400 million book profit the group is showing on the Cadbury stake. But Dick is under no illusion about the attitude of investing institutions towards companies which allow their earnings to go flat while investing for the long term.

He says that without the protective voting structure, "we would have had to curtail the programme and sold Neiman-Marcus" (the retail

group in which it has a controlling interest).

"US institutions want instant gratification," he says. But that is something they are unlikely to get from the company. The emphasis in his conversation is always the long term, but some analysts will be feeling disappointed that just after the crash Woody told a New York investment meeting that earnings in 1988 "should be up substantially because of contributions to earnings from the Neiman-Marcus group and because our two core businesses are largely recession-resistant".

It now seems likely that General Cinema will let the froth settle down before making any further moves. If the US company does eventually acquire control of Cadbury, however, the Bourneville band can look forward to a pretty autonomous lifestyle: the group's philosophy is to adopt a hands-off management style.

Cadbury is not regarded as

an appropriate lunchtime topic, but Woody explained to analysts last October that General Cinema went into the company because the value was not reflected in the market price. "Cadbury Schweppes looked like a very interesting investment opportunity. We, as a long-term investor, felt this was an investment in which we could make a very satisfactory return for our shareholders."

Dick and Woody did not know how the investment might turn out when they bought the original stake, and still do not know what will eventually happen, if anything. But it is known that they have talked to many of the "third parties" who have beaten a path to their door.

Perhaps they expect a re-run of the Carter Hawley Hale Stores action. General Cinema was brought into Carter, ironically by Morgan Stanley, banker, as a white knight when the company was under attack. Giving up the opportunity of a profit of more than 100 per cent, it instead backed a reorganisation under which it wound up with a 60 per cent stake in Neiman.

At the time the original investment was made, a straight bid for Cadbury did not look possible, but when the bid for Rowntree surfaced, the situation appeared to have been broken open.

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When we made our choice of shares, it was less than three months since the traumas of the October stock market crash.

So while there were plenty of cheap stocks around, the market looked all too ready to take the view that they should be even cheaper.

But caution is seldom the most popular investment maxim.

Filtering out the risk too often means performance is muted, since the greater the risk, the greater the reward — or the greater the loss.

But with more than usual uncertainty around, we weighted our portfolio in favour of high-yielding shares — British Gas, Land Securities, and Guardian Royal Exchange — their high yields made them a good alternative to cash.

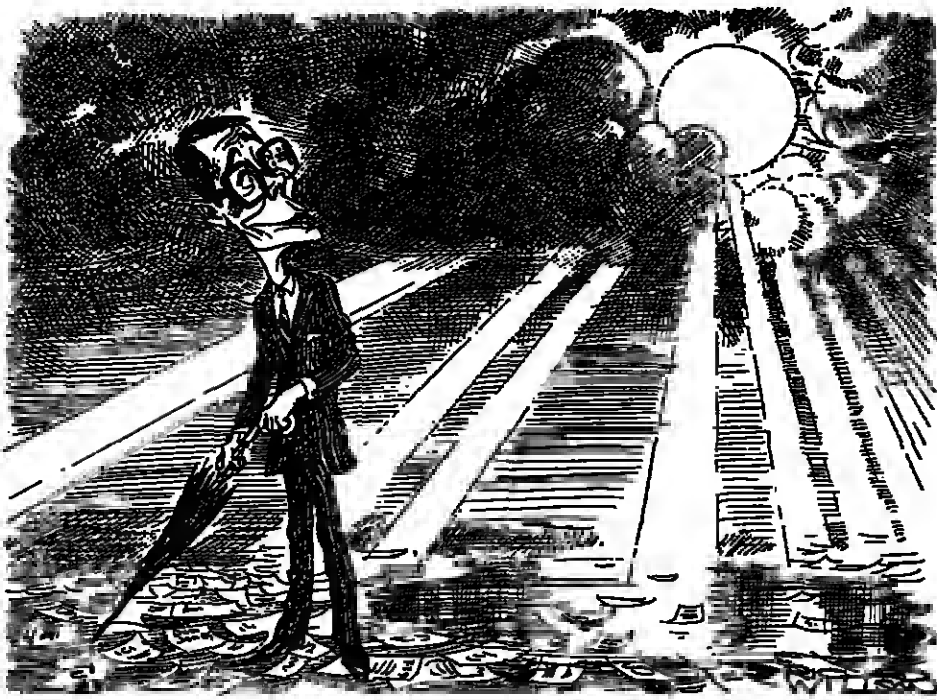
As our table below shows, all of them outperformed the market, but did not do as well as our two higher-risk stocks — Clyde Petroleum, which we recommended as a possible takeover candidate, and Wilson Bowden Properties, a small Midlands housebuilder which we expected to do well on the back of a housebuilding boom.

## British Gas

Our worst-performing share in the six months was British Gas. Yet it still managed to rise by 13 per cent, compared with the market rise of 11 per cent. Until the announcement of last year's results in mid-June, British Gas was looking decidedly uninspiring as an investment.

But the unexpected generosity of Sir Denis Rooke in raising the dividend by a bountiful 23 per cent gave the shares a last-minute fillip.

Although the market has recovered its nerve, memories



of the crash are still uncomfortably fresh and all the original reasons for buying British Gas remain.

The domestic gas market gives every appearance of growing strongly, the prospective multiple is an undemanding 8.8 and the prospective yield is still an attractive 5.7 per cent.

The independent oil sector looked ripe for a shake-up, and we saw Clyde as one whose share price would benefit from takeover speculation.

Clyde remains independent, but the shares have risen by 28 per cent, making it our second best-performing stock.

Sentiment is now likely to shift to the slumping oil price,

which is now \$14.50 (£8.50) a barrel and falling. This is a far cry from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' reference price of \$18 a barrel, and there is nothing to suggest that the oil cartel will be able to reverse this fall in the near term.

Some of the speculative froth is also coming out of the sector following last week's Lasso/BP deal, and shareholders should be thinking about taking some profits.

## Guardian Royal Exchange

The insurance sector took a double beating in the final

quarter of 1987 as the effects of the stock market crash were compounded by worries about the cost of the October storms in insurance claims.

However, the available yields, and the above-average prospects for dividend growth made it impossible to ignore the insurance sector, and our choice, Guardian Royal Exchange, managed to outperform the index, rising by 14 per cent.

Since Christmas, the insurance sector has been buoyant, helped by a mild winter, while there has also been growing takeover speculation.

Being the smallest, GRE is arguably one of the more

attractive candidates, especially as its operating territories are predominantly in the UK and West Germany, giving it special appeal ahead of 1992. With a prospective yield of 6.8 per cent, shareholders should stay with their investment.

## Land Securities

The property sector has recovered much of its poise since the fallout last October, and Land Securities, the daddy of the sector, has fared as well as most. The impressive 37 per cent increase in the 1987 asset value to 668p exceeded best expectations and pushed the shares ahead.

Since then there has been a bout of profit-taking. Moreover, there have been some jitters running through the sector following the decision to put value-added tax on new construction work.

Nevertheless, with forecasts of a further rise in the asset value to 800p per share, Land Securities' shares are selling on a substantial discount to asset value, about double the sector average. Unless, sentiment in the property market takes a decided turn for the worse, pulling Land Securities down with it, the shares are worth holding.

## Wilson Bowden

Despite some pundits' prediction that this summer would see the end of the private housebuilding boom, the sector has held up well and there are no signs of weakness.

This is all good news for Wilson Bowden. The company's good profit margins and strong managerial control enable it to make the best of buoyant conditions, while at the same time protecting its position for less good trading conditions.

There is a narrow market in the shares, so even modest demand has a disproportionate effect on the price. Nevertheless, even after the recent strong performance, the shares are selling on a reasonable prospective p/e ratio of 9.5 times.

This is above the sector average, but below acknowledged quality stocks such as Wilson (Connolly) on 11 times earnings. Wilson Bowden should gradually close the gap.

### HOW THE SHARES ARE FARING

Share	Price			Rise
	Jan	Jun	%	
British Gas	164	186	13	
Clyde Petroleum	105	135	28	
Guardian Royal Exchange	829	949	14	
Land Securities	482	569	23	
Wilson Bowden Properties	143	251	75	
Average portfolio growth			31	
FT All share Index rise	870	963	11	

# Pick of the mines running well ahead of index

The Times five mining shares for 1988 have, so far, held up relatively well against the London gold price and the FT gold mines index.

The average portfolio growth since the starting January date has been 15.6 per cent.

By contrast, over the same period the FT gold mines index has fallen from 302.1 to

207.2, or 31.4 per cent, and the London gold price has come back from a starting January price of \$498 to Friday's \$436.85 an ounce, or nearly 9 per cent.

The portfolio's defensive performance owes much to the spread, rather than any concentration on a particular metal, all across the mining field.

The portfolio includes diamonds, copper and, through the RTZ link, a host of other mining interests.

Ashton has shown on the back of the continued strength of world diamond markets, and Western Mining in an otherwise tough Australian market has — as it was expected — held its head up well.

Inspiration Resources and Asarco may in the next six months be the least exciting of the five, but the rest could still be firm.

Asarco is the one share that has not made an advance, though, because of exchange rate movements, the fall in sterling terms is less dramatic than the 12.3 per cent setback in dollars.

### PERFORMANCE

Share	Change %
Asarco	-5.59
Ashton	20.34
Inspiration	26.80
RTZ	20.57
Wstrn Mining	16.17

# Small firms star as best performers

By Geoffrey Foster

Ask anyone in the City which was the best performing share on the International Stock Exchange in the first half of the year and they would almost certainly say Rowntree, which more than doubled in price to £10.69p after the bid battle between Nestlé and Jacobs Suchard.

Wrong. Rowntree would be the star if the list was confined to the 100 constituents of the FT-SE index, with a gain of

139 per cent, but in the overall list it is in twelfth place.

The little-known Scottish Ice Rink, the Glasgow leisure group, takes pride of place with a 230 per cent jump to 83p. Takeover possibilities were raised recently after Old Crown Investments increased its stake in the shell company to just below 29.9 per cent.

AF Bulgin, the maker of electronic and electrical components, came a close second with a rise of 230 per cent to

112p. The shares have responded to bid speculation.

In third place, Associated Energy Services, the USM-listed boiler maintenance contractor and catering equipment group, recorded a rise of 218 per cent to 70p after Cleves Investments picked up a near-15 per cent stake.

Unigroup, the troubled timber-to-clothing group, was the worst performer, falling 73 per cent to 46p. Sentiment in the shares has been demoralized by a disastrous set of results and news of a Department of Trade and Industry inquiry.

Shares of Whinney Mackay-Lewis, the USM-listed architectural group, were not far behind with a decline of 68 per cent to 80p. A statement in

April that two projects had been brought to a premature halt and its architectural practice was unlikely to be profitable in the second half, saw the shares drop.

The list is sure to make similarly fascinating reading when it is compiled at the end of the second-half. The more obscure secondary or even third-market stock will still provide the more spectacular gains.

But blue chip stocks could figure prominently if some of the current bid stories prove correct. Cadbury Schweppes, another leading food stock, might well lead if the bid from either General Cinema or Jacobs Suchard materializes.

### WINNERS

Company	Price Jan 1	Price now	Change %
Scott Ice Rink	25.19	83.00	230
Bulgin, AF	35.00	112.00	220
Asad Energy Serv	22.00	70.00	218
Pantech Int	83.00	177.00	181
Colorvision	147.00	268.00	184
Chapstow Race	400.00	£10.50	163
Seafield	50.00	130.00	160
Crown Comms GP	43.00	106.00	147
Arenson Group	73.00	178.00	144
ML Laboratories	109.00	265.00	143

### LOSERS

Company	Price Jan 1	Price now	Change %
Amercoeur Energy	35.00	18.00	-49
Inter-europe Tech	280.00	128.00	-51
Davies, DY	225.00	110.00	-51
Pittard Garnar	309.00	148.00	-52
Greenwich Res	230.00	108.00	-53
Imbac Group	18.20	8.00	-56
American Est	26.00	11.00	-58
Maxprint	38.00	18.00	-58
Whinney McK-Lew	250.00	80.00	-68
Unigroup	173.00	46.00	-73

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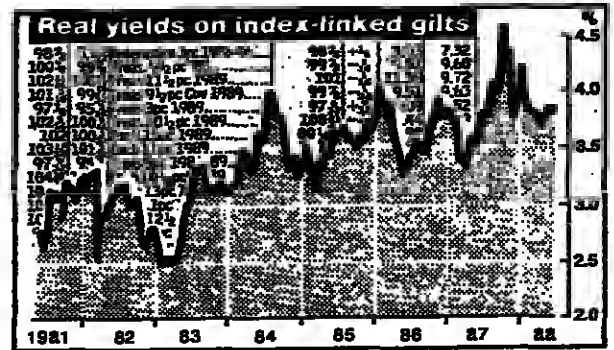
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# Index-linked issues set to come into fashion



The index-linked sector of the gilt market is on the way to becoming much more significant. The Government appears now to be keener to promote sales of this kind of debt, on which both capital repayment and income are linked to the retail price index. Demand from financial institutions could well improve, given that index-linked gilts look reasonable value relative to conventional gilts and equities.

Index-linked gilts also have their attractions for private individuals. For higher rate or basic rate tax payers the shorter index-linked securities offer a good net redemption yield if inflation maintains its current level of about 4 per cent per annum. For any investor, an asset that will maintain its value in real terms will clearly be a useful addition to a portfolio.

The Government's increased keenness to promote the index-linked market can be seen, for example, in the pattern of funding in the gilt market. In the last financial year, 1987-8, £1bn of index-linked were issued, which represented 6.7 per cent of the total gilt funding in that year.

In contrast, £600 million, or about 40 per cent of the £1.55bn issued so far in 1988-9, since the beginning of April, have been index-linked. This is admittedly a relatively distorted comparison, because of the short period of time over which it is made, but it does suggest that a greater emphasis is now being placed on these issues.

There had been concern at the lack of depth in the index-linked market, and 1987 produced a rough ride for traders in index-linked, which the relative thinness of the market compared to conventional gilts did not help. There is now evidence of a greater depth of investor interest in the market, leading to more stable conditions.

There are several reasons why the authorities should wish to promote the index-linked market. A short-term reason is cheapness of funding: the effect of a 2½ per cent coupon on the running cost of funding looks at first sight a much better bet from the borrower's point of view than the 9 per cent coupon that would currently have to be paid on a similar borrowing in the conventional gilt-edged market.

This is partly an illusion, though, because of the indexation of the capital repayment. Thus if such an issue were made now, which

redeemed in 2006, the final capital repayment would be double, ie 200 rather than 100, if inflation over the period were about 4 per cent. So the effect of the indexation of capital is to throw the refinancing burden forward to the year of redemption.

A more respectable reason for the authorities' desire to boost index-linked is the idea of diversifying sources of funding. It is quite possible that, at a time of general fear of inflation, index-linked gilts will be the only ones that sell.

At present it would be far-fetched to predict an explosion of inflation. However, a perfectly adequate case can be made for index-linked at present, given the way in which inflation in Britain appears to have stabilized at about 4 per cent.

Our chart shows the real yield on the FT Annuities index of over-5-year index-linked stocks. The real yield is the return on index-linked over and above inflation.

The current level of the real yield, 3.86 per cent, compares with the yield on equities of 4.18 per cent. This yield comparison enables one to see how the market compares the greater risk in holding equities relative to index-linked, with the prospects that equity dividends will beat inflation.

Just prior to the stock market crash, equities yielded 1 per cent less than index-linked gilts. This was of course, a rather optimistic basis for equities.

Although it seems reasonable, except in times of very fast dividend growth, for index-linked to yield less than equities because of the risk inherent in the latter, it is more difficult to say what that yield gap "should" be.

It is worth noting, though, that there has been a long period of trading during which this difference oscillated about 1 per cent, before falling abruptly during 1987. Thus the current

difference of 0.32 per cent makes index-linked look cheap. Indeed, as our chart suggests, except for the immediate pre-crash period, 3.86 per cent is a relatively high yield for the index-linked market in absolute terms, again making it look cheap.

The comparison with conventional gilts can be made via the implied inflation rate — the rate of inflation that would equate returns on long gilts and index-linked. At 5.7 per cent, this does look higher than current longer term expectations of inflation.

The estimate of inflation from this comparison should always be too high, because index-linked are less volatile and generally a somewhat safer investment than conventional gilts.

The final thing going for index-linked — and one that is likely to cause the most movement in this sector over the next few days — is the attractiveness of the shorter index-linked for taxpaying individual investors.

Because the capital uplift described above is not taxed, and only the relatively small current income is subject to tax, the net return, assuming 4 per cent inflation, is quite attractive.

For example, the net redemption yield on the 2 per cent 1996 stock for a 40 per cent taxpayer, assuming 4 per cent inflation between now and 1996, is 6.43 per cent, which is like a gross return of 10.72 per cent.

Given that 3 per cent Transport 1978-88 — a stock attractive to higher rate taxpayers — was redeemed on Friday, we expect a substantial demand for the shorter index-linked this week.

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# GrandMet starts company with community at heart

By John Spicer, Employment Affairs Correspondent

Grand Metropolitan, the hotel and leisure group, has created a company which will have up to £2 million a year to spend on community projects ranging from training the unemployed to providing accommodation for local projects.

The company, Grand Metropolitan Community Services, will combine and develop the charitable and community support activities already undertaken by GrandMet.

Mr David Tagg, a GrandMet director, is chairman of the new company. He said its creation reflected a new spirit of buoyancy and confidence in the business sector which allowed it to look around to see how it could benefit the community in which it operated.

GrandMet's estates division, which controls £1.3 billion worth of property throughout the country, is already looking for unused or derelict buildings it can offer to community groups.

A typical example is the Crown and Leek pub in Spitalfields, East London. The new company made it available to the Spitalfields Small Business Association for half its market price.

Mr John McGrath, chairman and managing director of Grand Metropolitan Brewing, handed over the keys and deeds to the new owners who have turned it into a carpentry workshop.

GrandMet Community Services will be handling work previously done by the parent company's Community Services Trust, which has an annual turnover of £8 million a year. It has provided training for 4,500 unemployed people since 1981 and a further 2,500 are currently involved in its schemes.

Mr Tagg said: "We have many centres approved by the new Training Commission and are regarded as one of the



John McGrath: an empty pub now put to good use

leaders in this field. The training we provide equips people for all walks of life, not just within our businesses."

The new company will oversee charitable donations and sponsorships and is developing links with schools and universities.

Mr Tagg said it regards education as the key to establishing close relations with local communities. The company is aiming to interest not only young people in the

business world, but teachers are also being approached to show them how management works.

GrandMet is encouraging its managers in all areas to join the boards of governors of schools as part of the closer contact with education.

Already the company is identifying new problem areas, such as the inability of people in some inner city areas to understand English.

"When we recruited for training programmes we found the application forms were all filled out perfectly, but in some cases we discovered that unemployed Asians, for example, could not understand what was being said to them. They had got a friend to fill in the form. We are now providing English classes," said Mr Tagg.

Now the English classes are becoming oversubscribed.

"We regard what we are doing in that field as a benefit to the community," Mr Tagg added.

# British Rail subsidy 'unfair'

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

Claims that British Rail has been indulging in unfair competition have been lodged with the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on behalf of bus and coach operators.

The commission is carrying out a routine study of the activities of British Rail's provincial sector, which operates all passenger services apart from the commuter routes of Network SouthEast, and the long-distance express services of Inter-City.

The provincial sector showed an operating loss of £473 million in 1986-87, before receiving government subsidy.

The complaints of unfair competition will be submitted to the commission by the Bus and Coach Council, which represents the operators of nearly 90 per cent of Britain's public service vehicles.

Mr Barry Hoye, of the council, said the whole system of a block subsidy to British Rail was contrary to European Community regulations, and there were some areas where British Rail was using the subsidy, or financial support from passenger transport executives, to undercut local bus services.

Bus services were de-regulated in October 1986 to expose them to greater competition, and there were fears in British Rail that the railway would lose local passenger traffic to the bus operators.

But in fact it is estimated that British Rail has seen an increase of about 13 per cent in passengers carried in big cities, while there has been a decrease of 6 per cent in those using buses.

A spokesman for British Rail said it had many disadvantages compared with bus operators.

British Rail had fixed routes which it could not deviate from, so that the main ways it could compete against other operators was by price and timing.

# World steel output up 6%

World steel production by the 31 member countries of the International Iron and Steel Institute has risen by 6 per cent, with output during May totalling 39.6 million tonnes compared with 37.3 million tonnes in the same month last year. The United States produced 8 million tonnes, Japan 5.7 million tonnes and the EEC 11.3 million tonnes.

# ECONOMIC VIEW

## Worry about inflation not the trade deficit

In the words of Nigel Lawson: "There is no iron law that dictates that the current accounts of the major industrial countries should always be in balance. We have an integrated world economy and we encourage the free flow of capital and goods. Investment opportunities and savings propensities inevitably differ from country to country, and it is natural for this to produce substantial and often sustained, capital account flows. These flows are bound to have their counterparts in current account surpluses and deficits."

The Chancellor delivered this dictum in Washington last September, and was referring not to Britain's balance of payments but to the global imbalance between the American deficit and the Japanese and West German surpluses. His words, however, help to explain the equanimity with which he appears to view the rapid deterioration in our own current account.

Up to a point he is right. Although a country cannot pile up overseas liabilities for ever to finance a current account deficit, the current account may fluctuate around zero by large amounts and over quite long time-spans.

Both Canada and Australia have run large current account deficits in the past without ill effects, as capital flowed in to finance successive mining booms. Arguably Britain is also going through a boom period in which capital imports are desirable in order to exploit its natural resources — in this case not mineral resources but human resources, which have become more productive through the improvements to economic efficiency of the last few years.

The larger and more sophisticated world capital markets become, and the freer the movement of capital, the larger capital flows are likely to be and the greater the associated movements in current accounts. We must beware of going on fighting the last war long after the enemy has retreated to open a new front elsewhere.

There are signs, however, that the present current account deficit is not simply a benign manifestation of an urge to invest in Britain, but also a reflection of inflationary pressures in the economy. Credit has been growing rapidly for a long time, leading to rapid growth in the broader measures of the money supply. The narrow measure, M0, is also beginning to expand faster and is likely to have been well outside its 1.5 per cent target range in June. Retail sales have for the most part continued to rise strongly. And retail prices themselves have begun to show faster growth than expected over the last few months.

In deciding what corrective action to take, there is much to be said for matching the solution to the problem. It is difficult to conclude that the problem is too lax a fiscal policy. Some of the same market economists in the City

who are wringing their hands over the possibility of a current account deficit of £10 billion are also rubbing them with glee at the prospect of a budget surplus of at least £6 billion — double the planned level. With one of the tightest fiscal policies of any leading country, and revenue coming in much faster than expected, it would be odd to be considering an emergency rise in taxes or cut in spending.

There are also supply-side questions to consider. A flexible, high-productivity economy will be better able to meet rapidly growing demand without inflationary bottlenecks and a flood of imports than an inflexible and unproductive one. Lower tax rates and a better tax structure are important contributors to a more efficient and less inflation-prone economy.

Monetary policy, as the Chancellor has made clear, is his favoured instrument, but it is capable of doing the job? Monetary conditions are only slightly tighter than before the pound was floated at the beginning of March. Sterling's effective exchange rate is little changed (the fall against the dollar offsetting the higher sterling/mark rate) while interest rates are ½ per cent higher at 9½ per cent.

According to the Treasury's economic model, the main effects of a change in interest rates are felt through the mortgage rate and the exchange rate. Without a change in either of those the impact of the tightening so far is likely to be fairly minimal. Higher rates should encourage people to save a larger proportion of their income, but income itself will be little changed as the personal sector receives almost as much interest as it pays. Companies, too, will feel the effects of higher short-term interest rates only slightly. They are still highly profitable, making them less dependent on borrowing, while long-term rates have moved little.

A rise in mortgage rates is essential to the Chancellor's strategy, and that means at least another ½ per cent on base rates. A third of all home-buyers with mortgages are now borrowing at least 95 per cent of the value of their homes, which makes mortgage rate changes a powerful tool. Combined with the ending from August 1 of the multiple tax relief on shared homes, this could cool the housing market considerably, which would do a lot to reduce the inflationary impetus in the economy.

It is not easy to say how much direct effect that might have on imports. It may also be necessary to allow the exchange rate to rise. But a current account deficit when the inflation rate is falling is much less alarming than one when it is rising.

Rodney Lord  
Economics Editor

# Performance key to pay, says IoD

By John Bell, City Editor

Britain's directors must pay more attention to performance and less to inflation when fixing pay increases, Sir John Hoskyns, the director general of the Institute of Directors, said.

Sir John noted the findings of an IoD survey of companies which showed that individual performance by employees topped the list of factors which determined pay rises, closely followed by the rate of inflation, company profitability and the "going rate" of settlements.

"It is encouraging to see from this survey that the message is beginning to get across to business and industry," although the influence of inflation and collective bargaining was still clearly considerable, said Sir John.

"Business must think hard about how it can get off the treadmill of expectation of pay increases regardless of performance and productivity," he added.

"Unless the influence of these factors is reduced, the competitiveness of British companies, compared with those in economies with lower

inflation and more flexible labour markets, will suffer," he said.

The IoD survey showed that nearly eight out of 10 companies cited individual performance as the most important factor in pay awards. Inflation was also given as a dominant factor by 67 per cent of the companies, with profitability listed by 66 per cent.

National or local pay rates were said to be important in 63 per cent and 56 per cent of companies respectively. Trade union pressure was seen as important or very important by 14 per cent of the directors.

The IoD members are at present maintaining a high level of confidence about prospects for their companies and the British economy, according to the survey.

More than 90 per cent said their companies were doing very well or fairly well, with 82 per cent reporting an upward trend in volume and 68 per cent saying that profits had increased over the past six months.

Nearly two thirds of directors were more optimistic about prospects for their business than six months ago.



Need to get off the pay rise treadmill: Sir John Hoskyns

# NEDC finds high streets are thriving

By David Young

The British high street is alive and well despite the increase in self-contained shopping centres, according to a survey released today by the National Economic Development Council.

It concludes that because high streets are often centrally placed and can offer modern and attractive facilities, they continue to be places where most people shop.

It adds that where high streets are declining often has more to do with the income level of the communities they serve than with out-of-town shopping developments, although these have some impact.

Neddy says that in order to achieve the right balance between high streets and regional shopping centres, a clear planning framework and guidance should be set up at regional level with input from central and local government.

In inner city areas where there is likely to be adequate consumer income to support investment in new shops, central and local government and developers should consider rejuvenation by improving housing and attracting population back into the areas.

Neddy adds that flourishing high streets draw vitality from the variety of goods and services they offer.

# Power producers 'uneasy' on prices

By Our Energy Correspondent

Private power producers are uneasy about what they suggest are unfair payments for the electricity they produce despite an increase in the number of private companies planning to enter the business following privatization.

The Association of Independent Electricity Producers says that there is a new attitude among the area electricity boards. Many are now asking the private power producers what they can offer when the area boards are set free from their commitments to the Central Electricity Generating Board.

However, the association adds that there is still considerable unease about unfair

treatment over payments. Mr David Porter, the association's business manager, said: "Our members want the association to persuade the Government that they absolutely must improve the economics of private power generation."

At a time when it needed to be looking to the future, the association found itself arguing for improvements in existing conditions, Mr Porter said.

"Our new members know that they must get a better deal now. Without this they may not be able to justify investment in further capacity and without that investment they will not be able to play the role that is expected of them."

# Exchange is no robbery

So much for all those sophisticated City investments. If you had put your money in a lump of old stone 18 years ago, it would by now have risen in value by almost 2,000 per cent. So a delighted Terry Jones discovered when he sold his commemorative white marble cigarette box, made from the walls of London's previous Stock Exchange building, to a colleague the other day for £200. For, with hundreds of other members, Jones, a partner-turned-director and head of the London investment trust division of County NatWest WoodMac, had bought the cigarette box — bearing a discreet brass plaque asserting its authenticity — for £12 when the building was demolished in 1970. "They only offered them to members of the then London Stock Exchange, which meant there were far fewer eligible members than there would have been today," Jones tells me. But the Exchange had so much marble left over that it invited second applications and Jones bought two. "I put one on show and kept one — the one that I sold — in mint condition in its box." The buyer, Colin Mills, head of market-making at the firm, plans to put it away for his six-year-old son. Jones, aged 55, who retired on Friday after a 21 year association with WoodMac, claims he got nothing more than the going rate. "Another market-maker offered me £175 and Mappin & Webb sold one two years ago for £150."

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## Topsy-turvy world

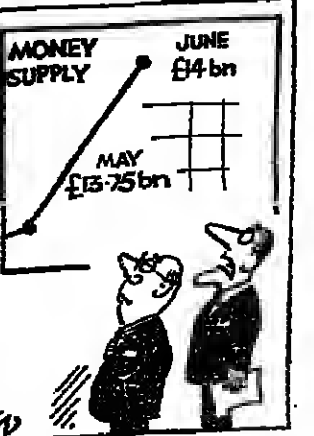
Who said the Irish were not different? Allied Irish Banks has produced one of the most original annual reports and accounts for years. Everything is quite normal until page 44. But from page 45 onwards everything is upside-down. The baffled reader is required to turn the book round (that is to say, the right way up which is

upside-down) and read backwards (in other words, forward to the front which is the back) to the end (or is it the beginning?) of the accounts on page 60. Since Allied does not have anything to hide, the inwardness of this ruse is not clear. Perhaps it is an Irish joke. Or simply a case of using a different printer next year.

## Sweet Aida

At least the on-going chocolate war is not taking up every waking moment of the directors of the companies involved. Dominic Cadbury, the chief executive of Cadbury Schweppes, in which the American General Cinema has a stake of 18.4 per cent and rising, was spotted enjoying

Aida at London's Earls Court. The plot hinges around Princess Aida's love for a man who has led an enemy army victoriously against her country. The liaison leads him to reveal his plan of action thus thwarting any further assaults. Could it be there is a lesson here for the Cadbury camp?



"Somebody sold a house."

## Going solo

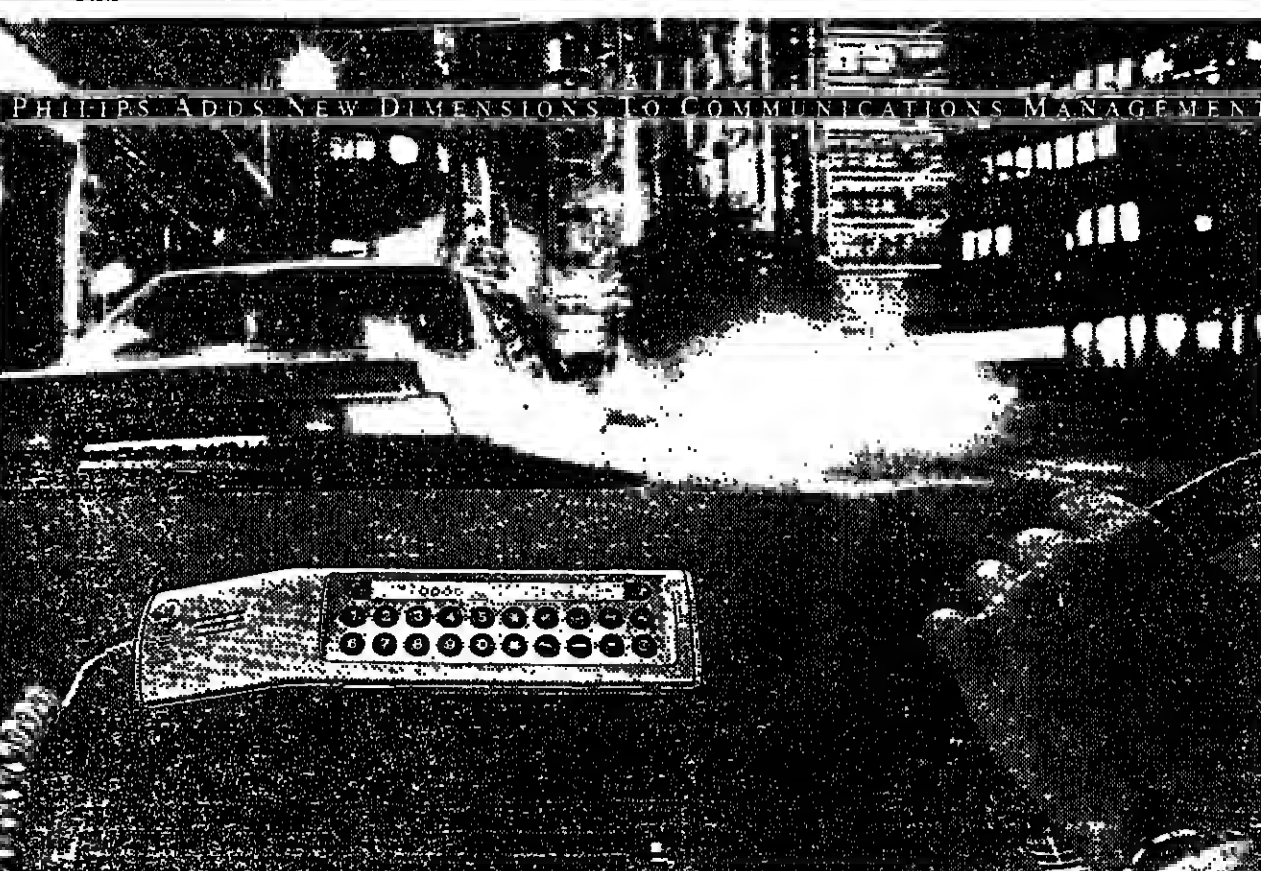
The oil industry may be in recession, but more than 200 analysts registered for a joint British/American jamboree last week at the London Hilton. Highlight of the conference was a black tie dinner dance, hosted by Texaco's president James Kinnear at Osterley House, the stately home in west London, even though Texaco was still under threat of bankruptcy pending settlement of Pennzoil's \$10 billion lawsuit. But on the question of inviting spouses, Kinnear was firm: "If you want dates, you'll have to go to Pennzoil, because they've got the money."

# Mirror image

Manufacturing the mirrors now being used to adorn buildings in the Square Mile does have its lighter moments. Roger Leach, the yachting and rowing chairman of Chelsea Artisans whose mirror products also grace many shops and arcades around the country, tells me that one bank in the Strand, refurbishing its premises, thought it would be a good idea to put mirrors on the floor. The project was well advanced before somebody pointed out that female customers — and Scotsmen — might find it embarrassing. Meanwhile, one of Chelsea Artisans' domestic customers — still being talked about by its workmen — was a turf accountant and his wife who wanted mirrors installed on every ceiling in their house. A small area had to be ground out so that a closed-circuit camera could be positioned behind each one, even in the bathroom. According to Leach, the couple insisted that it was for "security reasons."

Robert Cumming, the erstwhile stores analyst of Phillips & Drew who turned down a six-figure salary elsewhere in the City to become a law student, has, I hear, been replaced. John Smith, aged 25, headed his notice at Morgan Grenfell last Friday and joins P&D in five weeks. "I was marched off the premises within five minutes," he says. But he will not be wasting his enforced rest. He plans to get married in three weeks time and take a two-week honeymoon.

Carol Leonard



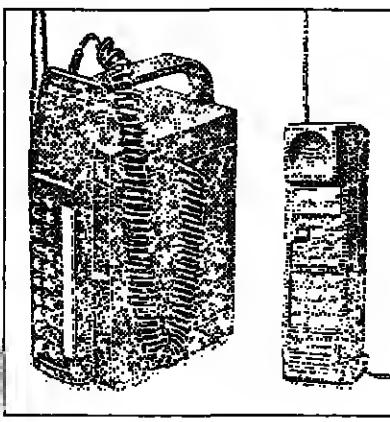
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Dealing with the diversity

The tragic death of 13 year old Ahmed Ullah in the playground of Burnage High School, Manchester in September 1986, focused attention on that school and the education authority.

But Burnage, as the Macdonald report showed, is a microcosm of many inner city schools and recommendations made by the inquiry team could be applied elsewhere.

The sad fact is that racial harassment ranging from name-calling to physical violence is part of everyday life for large numbers of black children and teachers. Research by Dr Elinor Kelly of Manchester University, commissioned by the inquiry panel, revealed the extent of the problem in other schools in the city. The Commission for Racial Equality's report, Learning in Terror, published 1 March, showed how widespread it was in the rest of the country.

And the stream of racial abuse from soccer fans on the terraces at home and abroad lend support to fears that hostility to minority groups is very much alive.

Manchester City Council set up the inquiry, headed by Ian Macdonald QC, after Ahmed's death to look at the

It is a sad fact that racial harassment is part of everyday life in many schools. Diane Spencer looks at the latest steps to tackle this intolerable situation



Where Ahmed Ullah died: Burnage High School, Manchester

where any issue of race arises or has taught others to bury their racism without in any way changing their attitude and has created resentment and anger and stopped free discussion.

Interpretations of these criticisms provoked a furore against anti-racism per se, precisely the reaction that the Macdonald team wished to prevent.

The inquiry panel: Gus John, an assistant education officer for the Inner London Education Authority, Lily Khan, a CRE commissioner, Reema Bhavnani, a sociology tutor at Ruskin College, Oxford, and Ian Macdonald, tried to set the record straight in a press release published in May.

The panel said: "Far from suggesting that Burnage High School and other schools should abandon strategies for combating racism and adopt a 'colour-blind' approach, we state emphatically that the work of all schools should be informed by a policy that recognises the pernicious and all-pervasive nature of racism in the lives of students, teachers and parents, black and white, and the need to confront it."

"A 'colour-blind' approach was 'more of a recipe for disaster than any badly applied anti-racist policy could ever be', it added.

However, the inquiry team confessed they had been unable to find any "theoretical ready-made anti-racist

model for success" during the course of their investigation. But the report highlighted some examples of good practice and recommended they be tried out elsewhere.

Any policy must be formulated with the teachers, pupils and parents black and white working together. A policy imposed from the top which excludes whites, as the Burnage experience showed, is doomed to fail, it says.

But it is essential that the local education authority and the schools demonstrate their commitment to combating racial discrimination as they are required to do so under the 1976 Race Relations Act a point underlined by the CRE in its evidence to the Elton committee now studying violence in schools.

(The commission points out that only 14 out of the 113 local education authorities in England, Scotland and Wales have policies and detailed guidelines dealing with racial harassment in schools and colleges.)

The inquiry team favoured setting up an "umbrella" working group composed of staff, parents, pupils, governors, the

New emphasis on using less confrontational terminology

head and community organizations to negotiate policies and strategies with the local authority in each school. These would monitor violent and racist incidents and ways of dealing with them.

A lively student union or school development council would be part of this umbrella group to "share responsibility for the well-being of the school", the report said.

A project funded by the Department of Education and Science's education support grant scheme was praised by the panel for its work in Paris Wood, in a more affluent suburb of Manchester. The project linked two feeder primary schools to co-ordinate a multi-cultural approach to the curriculum with the help of a project leader.

Much of what Macdonald says would seem to most teachers common sense in running any school successfully. As one of the team said: "Anti-racist policies are no substitute for good management."

But anti-racism, as a concept in common parlance, is going out of fashion, Her Majesty's Inspectors now feel it has become merely a discredited left-wing slogan.

Instead they will encourage ways of responding to ethnic diversity - a less confrontational piece of terminology which they feel could be more productive.

"Once you start from the interpretation that all whites are guilty of racism, you might as well stop there: it is totally counter-productive," commented one HM.

Good management in school is an important factor

circumstances surrounding the stabbing and at the extent of racism in the city's schools.

Darren Coulburn, a white fellow pupil, also 13 at the time, was found guilty of murder in February 1987 and ordered to be detained indefinitely.

So far only 11 out of 33 chapters of the report have been published as the council claims it is defamatory although some other chapters and the summary and recommendations have been widely leaked to the press.

The report was strongly critical of the way the council's anti-racist policies had been applied by the school's senior management.

"In the field of education, the basic assumption behind many current anti-racist policies is that since black students are the victims of the immoral and prejudiced behaviour of white students, white students are all to be seen as 'racists' whether they are ferret-eyed fascists or committed anti-racists," commented the report.

"Racism," it went on, "is placed in a kind of moral vacuum and is totally divorced from the more complex reality of human relations in the classroom, playground or the community. In this model of anti-racism there is no room for issues of class, sex, age or size. We have called it 'symbolic' or 'moral' anti-racism."

"In practice, moral anti-racism has been an unmitigated disaster. It has reinforced the guilt of many well-meaning whites and paralysed them

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RESIDENT MUSIC STUDENTSHIP. Applications are invited from honours graduates to undertake research leading to an M.Sc. or a Ph.D. in computer science. We are particularly interested in attracting students, both men and women, who can start in October 1988. SERC Quota and CASE awards are available for specific topics. The primary research areas are:

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### UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

**THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM**

**FACULTY OF ENGINEERING  
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONIC & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING  
NEW LECTURESHIPS**

Due to an increase in student numbers at both undergraduate and postgraduate level, four new lectureships have been created by the University in the Department of Electronic Engineering. Applications are invited from graduates engineers with experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Communications
- Control
- Digital Machines
- HF Engineering
- Power Electronics
- Power Systems
- Radar and Sonar
- Signal Processing

Salary on the Lecturer A/8 scale £9,260 - £19,310 plus superannuation.

Informal enquiries may be made to Professor Brian Smith on 021-414 4283.

For further particulars please telephone 021-414-6383 quoting reference number 83. No formal application form. Three copies of application, including full curriculum vitae and naming three referees to Assistant Registrar, Faculty of Engineering, University of Birmingham, P O Box 363, Birmingham, B15 2TT by 22 July 1988.

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**UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM**

Department of Physics

**Shell Research Fellowship in NMR Microscopy**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified chemists/biochemists for the Shell Research Fellowship in NMR Microscopy. The successful candidate will be involved in the use of a novel NMR microscope which is being constructed with support from the Royal Society Paul Instrument Fund.

The position starting in October is for 1 year in the first instance with possibilities for renewal.

The project involves the exciting new science of NMR imaging and spectroscopy as applied to the study of microscopic biological and non-biological systems; for example intra cellular metabolic processes, also fluid ingress and dynamics in solid liquid systems.

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or equivalent in chemistry and/or biochemistry. Some experience in NMR imaging or spectroscopy would be an advantage.

Salary will be in the range £8,565-15,720 + USS.

Applications including a c.v. and names and addresses of two referees should be sent to Professor P. Mansfield by 15th July 1988, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER  
INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND MANAGEMENT**

**LECTURER IN PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT**

The Institute urgently requires an experienced personnel manager to direct and teach on a new module in human resource management in its MSc in HRD. The appointment will initially be for 12 months from 1st September, 1988 but may be converted to the Institute's standard 3 year rolling contract. Applicants must have professional experience in personnel management as managers, consultants or in training/education, and should be committed to research. Overseas experience is desirable. In addition to MSc teaching the person appointed will be required to teach on short courses and take part in consultancy and research work at home and overseas. Salary on the Lecturer scale (Grade A, £8,260 - £14,300 p.a. or Grade B, £7,105 - £13,310 p.a.) according to qualifications and experience.

Superannuation. Application forms (returnable by July 20th) and further particulars from the Registrar, The University, Manchester M13 9PL. (Tel. 051 275 0026) Quota Ref. 152/88/71. The University is an equal opportunities employer.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS**

School of Business and Economic Studies

**Chair of Economic History**

Applications are invited for the Chair of Economic History which will become vacant upon the resignation of Professor R.F. Cottis from 30 September 1988. Applicants with interests in any area of economic history will be considered. The economic history group has recently been designated by the U.G. as a centre of excellence. The salary will be within the professional range.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, The University, Leeds, LS2 9JT, quoting reference 31/84. Applications (two copies) giving details of age, qualifications and experience and naming three referees, should reach the Registrar not later than 1 September 1988. Applicants from overseas may apply in the first instance by cable, telex (556473 UNLDS G) or Fax (Group 2) (0532) 355017, naming three referees, preferably in the United Kingdom.

**UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL**

**LECTURERSHIP IN ENGLISH**

Applications are invited for a Temporary Lectureship in Old and Middle English, tenable for one year from 1st October 1988. Salary on the lecturers' scale A in the range £9,260 to £11,680 p.a.

Further particulars should be obtained from the Registrar and Secretary (ref. JC), University of Bristol, Senate House, Bristol BS8 1TH, to whom applications should be sent by 22nd July.

**MONASH UNIVERSITY**  
Melbourne, Australia

**CHAIR OF OBSTETRICS AND Gynaecology**

Applications are invited for appointment to a second Chair of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in the Department which is located at the new Monash Medical Centre, a 200 bed Teaching Hospital, affiliated with Monash University, located at Clayton within 1.5 km of the University Campus. The Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology is also at the Inherby Medical Centre at Epworth Hospital, within the Melbourne City area, and the present Chairman of the Department, Professor E.C. Wood, C.B.E., F.R.C.S., F.R.C.O.G., F.R.A.C.O.G., bases many of his activities at that location.

Applicants should be medically qualified specialist obstetricians and gynaecologists with qualifications registrable in Victoria and be able to provide teaching and direction in the teaching and research activities of the Department. The specialist interests of applicants should be compatible with the aims of the Department to provide a service as one of the obstetric units of the Monash Medical Centre.

Salary \$495,616 per annum which includes a clinical loading of A\$14,438 per annum. Superannuation, travel and removal allowance, and temporary housing allowance.

Information on application procedure and further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, Monash University, Clayton, Victoria, 3168, Australia, or the Secretary General, Association of Commonwealth Universities (A.C.U.), 36 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PF. (Apts).

Applications should reach the Registrar not later than 9 September 1988. Council reserves the right to make no appointment or to appoint by invitation at any stage.

**AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

**THE ROYAL VETERINARY COLLEGE**  
University of London

**Appointment of PRINCIPAL**

The Council of the Royal Veterinary College invites applications or nominations for the appointment of the Principal of the College to succeed Dr A.O. Berts, BSC MA PhD MRCVS, who retires at the end of December 1988. The successful candidate will preferably, but not necessarily, be a veterinary surgeon.

The appointment is full-time. Membership of Universities' Superannuation Scheme is available. A family sized flat is provided on College premises.

Correspondence should be addressed to the Chairman of the Council, Mr J.R. Moss, CBMA, The Royal Veterinary College, Royal College Street, London NW1 0TL. From whom further details may be obtained on written request. All envelopes must be marked CONFIDENTIAL. S. The closing date for applications is 18 September 1988.

**UNIVERSITY OF YORK**

Registrar's Department

**DEPUTY CONFERENCE OFFICER**

Applications are invited from graduates and other suitably qualified candidates for the post of Deputy Conference Officer. The duties include responsibility for co-ordinating the arrangements for both residential and day conferences and for deputising as required for the Conference Officer. The work entails careful planning with conference organisers and close liaison with University staff at all levels.

Candidates should have some organisational experience, preferably in conference administration or a related field.

Salary within range 1 or 2 of the salary scales for Administrative staff, currently £8,675 to £11,680 or £12,150 to £15,720.

Six copies of applications, naming three referees, should be sent by 28 July 1988 to Registrar's Department (Appointments), University of York, Heslington, York YO1 5DD. Further particulars are available. Please quote advertisement reference number /5957.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM**

**CHAIR OF APPLIED MATHEMATICS**

Applications are invited for a Chair of Applied Mathematics in the department of Mathematics within a new School of Mathematics and Statistics, tenable from 1 October 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter. Further particulars are available from the Registrar and Secretary (EB), The University of Birmingham, P.O. Box 363, Birmingham B15 2TT. The closing date is 1 September 1988.

**AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

**ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**  
(University of London)

**LECTURER IN MEDICAL INFORMATICS AND COMPUTING**

Applications are invited for a Lectureship in the newly formed Department of Medical Informatics and Computing from 1 September 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter. The post is open to doctors or medical graduates but applicants must be committed to the development of medical informatics and preferably have a research interest in artificial intelligence applications in medicine.

Salary up to £20,760 per annum (inclusive) according to age and experience.

Further particulars are available from the School Office, R.F.H.S.M., Rowland Hill Street, London NW3 2PF 01-794 8500, ext 426212, to whom applications (one copy) of curriculum vitae, including a statement of research interests and naming three referees (two of whom should be sent by 21 July 1988), should be sent. Please quote Ref. MIC/88.

**UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL**

Applications are invited for the following SERC CASE studentships commencing in October 1988:

1. Design and Selection of High Speed Electro-Mechanical Systems with Computer Simulation and Expert Systems.
2. A structured Approach to Manufacturing System Design. These projects will be carried out in collaboration with Unilever Research at Port Sunlight. Full SERC Grants plus additional allowances will be provided to the successful candidates.
- Two SERC/ESRC Quota studentships are also available in the area of advanced manufacturing systems and technology including:
  - Real Time FMS Modelling and Diagnosis.
  - Quality Management for Advanced Manufacturing Systems.
  - Design of Organisational Systems.
  - A Structured Approach to Management Information Systems.

Applicants should possess or expect to receive a first or upper second degree in engineering, science or social science. Applications with c.v. and names of two referees should be sent to: Professor J. S. Halliday, Department of Industrial Studies, The University, P.O. Box 147, L69 3BX. Telephone 051-709 6022 Ext. 2353. Further details are available on request to Professor Halliday.

**UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM**

**DIRECTOR OF ESTATES AND BUILDINGS**

Applications are invited for the above post, which is a senior management position in the University. The Director of Estates and Buildings will be responsible for advising the University on the technical and cost aspects of Estates and Buildings policy and for managing a department with a budget of nearly £4 million per annum, excluding major projects.

A sound technical background in Estates and Buildings and engineering services areas and a professional qualification in a relevant discipline will be expected. The starting salary will be in accordance with experience and qualifications and will not be less than £25,000 per annum.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar and Secretary, University of Durham, Old Shire Hall, Durham DH1 1TA, to whom applications should be sent to reach him not later than 25th July 1988. Applications should include a curriculum vitae, the names and addresses of three referees and a statement of the particular contribution and expertise which the applicants would bring to the post.

**UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM**

Department of Adult Education

**Administrative Assistant**

Applications are invited from graduates for a post as Administrative Assistant in one of the largest University Adult Education Departments in Britain. The vacancy occurs as a consequence of reorganisation within the Department following the early retirement of a senior administrator.

The duties will include the servicing of committees; the control of income and expenditure accounts and general administration connected with adult and continuing education courses.

The appointment will be made within the Administrative Grade 1, in the range £5,675 to £11,680 per annum.

Further particulars and application forms, returnable not later than 11 July 1988, from the Personnel Officer, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No. 1166. Tel 0602 484848 ext 3355.

**UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN**

**TRINITY COLLEGE**

**LECTURESHIP IN LAW**  
(Established under the terms of the Field Trust)

Applications are invited for the above post in the Law School, Trinity College, Dublin. The successful candidate will be appointed to a first class post and will be responsible for the delivery of the 'The Field Trust' Lectureship.

Candidates must be prepared to teach (a) criminal law (b) tort law and property (c) after 12 months from the date of appointment to teach (d) public law in the Law School as may from time to time be determined. They must be graduates in Law of any University who are 35 years of age or under at the date of appointment. The holder of the post may practise as a Barrister in the Central Courts in Dublin. If there is no suitable candidate with such a professional qualification then a graduate in Arts or Law of any University may be appointed.

Salary scale: £16,534 - £23,139 per annum

Appointments will be made within the salary range £16,534 - £14,847 per annum, at a point commensurate with candidates' qualifications and experience to date. Application forms and further particulars relating to this post may be obtained from: Establishment Officer, Staff Office, Trinity College, Dublin 2, to whom completed applications should be sent by not later than 31st August, 1988.

**UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM**  
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

**SERC STUDENTSHIP IN ASTROPHYSICS**

Applications are invited from graduates with at least a 2(i) Honours degree in Physics for an SERC studentship in Astrophysics. The successful candidate will be required to register for a Ph.D. and join the Nottingham group working in the field of high-energy gamma ray astronomy at the British Universities Extensive Air Shower Array at Haverah Park. Applications should be sent to:

Professor W. F. Nash CBE,  
Department of Physics,  
University of Nottingham,  
University Park,  
NOTTINGHAM,  
NG7 2RD

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND MIDDLESEX SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**  
University College London  
Academic Department of Psychiatry

**CLINICAL LECTURER IN PSYCHIATRY**

Applications are invited from candidates who possess a Higher Professional Certificate in Clinical Psychology for the above post. It is suitable for a candidate planning a career in academic psychiatry, or full-time research, and there are extensive opportunities and facilities for research and for participation in teaching. The post is recognised for higher psychiatric training and carries an Honorary Senior Registrar contract from the North East Thames Region Health Authority. Training opportunities are available in all branches of clinical psychiatry.

Further details from Mr J. J. Rouse, Deputy Secretary, University College and Middlesex School of Medicine, Rowland Hill Street, London W1P 7PN within three weeks of the appearance of this advertisement. Enquiries to Professor R. M. Rouse, 01-380-0468. Equal Opportunities Employer

**UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD**

The Examination Schools

**Clerk of the Schools:**  
Salary £16,345 - £19,310 p.a.

The Clerk is responsible under the Curators of the Schools for the organisation and administration of the Examination Schools, which provide accommodation and services for University examinations and lectures. The present Clerk will retire on 1 October 1988, but his successor will be expected to begin work on 1 January 1989. Further particulars may be obtained from the Clerk of the Schools, University of Oxford, High Street, Oxford OX1 4BG. Applications, with curriculum vitae and the names of two referees, should be sent to the Chairman of the Curators, Mr. G. J. Stockton, St. Alden's, Oxford OX1 1JL, by 1 August 1988. (The short-listed candidates will be interviewed in the second half of September.)

**UNIVERSITY OF READING**

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW**

Applications are invited for a Lectureship in Law from 1 October 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter. Initial salary on the scale £9260 to £14500 p.a. plus USS benefits. Further particulars and application forms (two copies) are available from the Personnel Officer, University of Reading, Whiteknights, P.O. Box 217, Reading, RG6 2AH, telephone (0734) 875123 ext. 226. Please quote Ref. AC8816. Closing date 25 July 1988.

**UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM**

Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science

**Lectureship in Materials**

The University is seeking to appoint a lecturer to undertake teaching duties in the department. Candidates for this appointment should have broad knowledge of materials science and engineering but experience with polymers, ceramics or semi-conductors would be particularly welcome. The successful candidate will be encouraged to teach final year options and to pursue research in topics related to his/her special interests.

The appointment will be made on the Lecturer scale (£9,260-£19,310 per annum). Further particulars and application forms, returnable not later than 18 July 1988, from the Personnel Office, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No. 1165. Tel 0602 484848 ext 3355.

The Queen's University of Belfast

**TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP**  
Department of Scholastic Philosophy

Applications are invited for a temporary lectureship in the department of Scholastic Philosophy for one year commencing 1 September 1988 or such other date as may be arranged. Applicants must hold a higher degree, preferably a doctorate, in Mediaeval Philosophy or Metaphysics and Natural Theology.

Salary: £9,261

Applications, including the names and addresses of three referees should be sent to the Personnel Officer, The Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT7 1NN. (Please quote ref. 88/T). Closing date: 18 July 1988. The University is an Equal Opportunity employer.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HULL**  
SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY  
CHAIR OF INORGANIC CHEMISTRY

The University invites applications for a Chair in Inorganic Chemistry to be held in the School of Chemistry. Candidates should have a record of vigorous research and a strong commitment to teaching and research in the area of research within inorganic chemistry, but interests which are related to one of the School's five priority research areas might be an advantage.

Salary will be within the professional range.

Applications (12 copies) giving details of age, qualifications and experience, together with the names of three referees, should be sent by 15 September 1988 to the Registrar & Secretary (Ref. PM), University of Hull, Hull, HU6 7RX from whom further particulars may be obtained (Tel. 0482 465270).

**QUEEN MARY COLLEGE**  
(University of London)

**Academic Initiative: Lectureship in Biotechnology**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified microbiologists/biochemists/geneticists interested in biotechnology for the above lectureship in the School of Biological Sciences. Salary will be in the range of £9,260 - £14,500 plus £1,450 London Allowance.

Further details of the appointment may be obtained from the Assistant Registrar, Queen Mary College, Mile End Road, London, E1 4NS to whom completed application forms should be returned no later than 29 July 1988. Please quote reference 88/76

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HULL**  
THE LAW SCHOOL

**TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP**

Applications are invited for a TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP (available initially for two years) available from 1 October 1988. The primary teaching duties of the appointee will be to assist the team teaching PROPERTY LAW to LLB students. Preference will be given to candidates who can, in addition, offer one or more of the following: REVENUE LAW, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW, WELFARE LAW or the LAW OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

Initial salary will be on the Lecturers Grade A scale £9,260 - £14,500 depending on qualifications and experience. It is expected that initial salary will not exceed £11,680 p.a.

Applications (6 copies), giving details of age, qualifications and experience, together with the names of three referees, should be sent by 22 July 1988 to the Senior Personnel Officer (Ref. PM), University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX from whom further particulars may be obtained (Tel. 0482 465270).

**LA TROBE UNIVERSITY**  
Melbourne, Australia

**LECTURER IN CINEMA STUDIES**  
(Fixed Term Four Years, commencing 1 January 1989)  
School of Humanities

The appointee will be required to teach in the first year course, present level introductory courses on film and television studies. Areas of special interest will be Australian film, American television, film history, narrative and aspects of social representation in the cinema.

Salary: A\$20,894 - A\$37,435 p.a.  
Closing date: 1 August 1988. Ref. No. ACAD/88

Applications (naming three referees) should be sent to the Staff Officer, La Trobe University, Victoria Park, Melbourne 3046. Applications in the UK should also be sent to the Association of Commonwealth Universities (A.C.U.), 36 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PF, from whom further general information is available. Equal opportunity is University policy.

**UNIVERSITY OF ULSTER**

**WRITER IN RESIDENCE at Coleraine**  
Ref: CS88/184

Applications are invited from writers with an established reputation for the post of 'Writer in Residence' awarded jointly by the Arts Council of Northern Ireland and the University of Ulster.

The post, which is attached to the Department of English, Media and Theatre Studies, is for one year, in the first instance, but may be renewed for a second year. The salary is £10,000 per annum and the successful applicant will be expected to take up post on 1 October 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Further details and application forms may be obtained from the Staffing Officer, University of Ulster at Coleraine, Grosvenor Road, Coleraine, Co Londonderry BT28 1SA. Telephone: Coleraine (0286) 4141, ext. 348. Closing date: 15 July 1988. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

**WADHAM COLLEGE OXFORD**

**DEVELOPMENT APPEAL DIRECTOR**

Wadham College seeks a Director for its major development appeal. Salary will be in the region of £17,000. The appointment will initially be for two years, starting January 1989. Secretarial assistance will be provided. The Director will be entitled to free meals and membership of the Senior Common Room.

For further information telephone 0865 277988. The closing date for applications is 17th August 1988.

**UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER**

**CHAIR OF SURGERY**

The University invites applications from candidates with medical qualifications registrable in the United Kingdom for a full-time Chair of Surgery, located at the University Hospital of South Manchester (at Withington Hospital), which will fall vacant on October 1st, 1988, in consequence of the retirement of Professor R. Selwyn.

Applicants should be experienced general surgeons, able to provide academic leadership. The Professorial unit at South Manchester covers a wide area of general surgery and over the years it has developed strong active interests in the pathology, particularly related to breast cancer, and in vascular surgery. The South Manchester Health Authority is prepared to offer an Honorary consultant contract to a suitably qualified appointee.

Applications (one copy suitable for photographic reproduction) giving full details of qualifications and experience, together with the names of three persons to whom reference may be made, should be sent to The Registrar, The University, Manchester M13 9PL, from whom further particulars may be obtained, and received by him not later than September 14th, 1988. Please quote reference 150/88/71. Overseas candidates may apply by air-mail letter in the first instance. The University is an equal opportunities employer.

**POLYTECHNICS**

**DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS**

**Lecturer/Senior Lecturer (2 posts)**  
IN MANUFACTURING  
Ref. A62/88

**Temporary Lecturer/Senior Lecturer (3 posts)**  
IN MANUFACTURING  
Ref. A62/88

**Temporary Lecturer/Senior Lecturer (2 posts)**  
IN THERMODYNAMICS  
Ref. A62/88

**DEPARTMENT OF COMBINED ENGINEERING**

**Lecturer/Senior Lecturer (2 posts)**  
IN MANUFACTURING SYSTEMS AND ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONIC AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERING  
Ref. A62/88

Salary: £10,071-£15,369/  
£15,369-£18,549

Candidates for all the above posts should have a good honours degree in a relevant discipline together with industrial and/or research experience.

The posts are available from 1 September 1988.

Details and application forms available from Personnel Officer, (Please enclose a large self-addressed envelope). Telephone 038392 or 838615. Closing date Friday 15 July 1988.

We welcome applications from men and women regardless of disability race or marital status.

**Coventry Polytechnic**  
Priory Street  
Coventry CV1 5PB  
Tel: (0203) 24166

**RESEARCH POSTS**

**UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK**  
INSTITUTE FOR EMPLOYMENT RESEARCH

(a) Research Associate/Fellow and Senior Research Fellow - For research in the modelling and forecasting of British labour market behaviour and the effects of policy. A good degree in economics, preferably postgraduate, and a strong interest in applied research in the labour market field are required, as are for the senior post, substantial experience in labour/industrial economics also. The appointments are to start as soon as possible for up to three years in the first instance.

(b) Research Associates - To work in an ESRC-funded study of vocational education and training in Britain and Norway. A good degree in economics, with a sound quantitative background, and a strong interest in applied research in the labour market field are necessary. The post is available from 1 October 1988 for eighteen months.

Salary for the Research Associate/Fellow posts are either the Range £8,675 - £11,680 p.a. or 1A scale: £9,885 - £15,720 p.a. For the Senior Research Fellow post, salary will be on the Range II scale: £14,500 - £19,310 p.a.

Academic staff seeking a period of secondment are encouraged to apply, and the Institute is also willing as a matter of policy to consider applications for part-time appointments. Further information may be obtained from Professor Robert Lindley for (a) 0203-523503 and Dr Peter Elias for (b) 0203-623206.

Application forms from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL, (0203-523527) quoting Ref No. 48/8A/87/1 (please mark clearly on envelope). Closing date for applications is 29 July 1988.

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY**

Research Assistant in Soviet Economic Reform and Development

Applications are invited for an appointment to a Research Assistantship, tenable from 1 October 1988 for a period of three years for work on the economic reform and development in the Soviet Union. Post-graduate research experience and a good working knowledge of Russian essential. Salary £5,065 - £11,565 per annum. Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, Oxford OX2 6LF. Closing date for applications: 15 July 1988.

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**OXFORD UNIVERSITY**

**PROFESSORSHIP OF EDUCATIONAL STUDIES**

The electors intend to proceed to an election to the newly-established Professorship of Educational Studies combined with the Directorship of the Department of Educational Studies. The stipend of the professorship is at present £28,700 per annum.

Applications (ten copies, or one from overseas candidates), naming three referees should be received by not later than 22 August 1988 by the Registrar, University Offices, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JD, from whom further particulars may be obtained. The University is an equal opportunity employer.

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GOLF

Faldo's Open hopes depend on sharper touch on the greens

From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Monte Carlo
Nick Faldo returned home from the Monte Carlo Open a contented man. He had every right to be, even though he finished sixth behind the Spaniard, José Rivero.

RUGBY UNION

All Blacks cruise to convincing victory

Australia..... 7
New Zealand..... 32
Sydney (Reuters) - Three tries in the first 11 minutes set New Zealand on their way to a brightly convincing victory in the first international here yesterday.

BASKETBALL

Inspired British reach final at expense of hosts

From Nicholas Harling, Groningen
Whatever they might achieve this week in the final round of the Olympic qualifying tournament in Rotterdam against the best of Europe, nothing will be allowed to sour the memory of one of the greatest nights for British basketball.

JUDO

Adams fails to salvage a medal at the Open

By Nicolas Soames
On paper, Neil Adams did just enough to earn himself selection for Seoul as the man most likely to win a medal in the under-73kg category.

MOTOR RALLYING

New standard is set by Donaldson

George Donaldson, from Edinburgh, won the Kaval Graphics rally in South Wales on Saturday and in so doing became the first driver to win a national title in a virtually standard saloon (a Special Correspondent writes).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Britain escape despite lapses in defence

From Keith Macklin, Orange, New South Wales
Western Division..... 26
Great Britain..... 28
Four of the longest minutes in the professional life of the British coach, Malcolm Reilly, dragged away as some appalling defending in the second half almost cost Great Britain a 22-4 lead here yesterday.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Storm-trooper: Kirwan bursts through for New Zealand

Move to take over club
A group of seven business and professional men are trying to take control of Northampton Rugby Club at Wednesday's annual meeting.

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ATHLETICS: BISLETT GAMES MILERS PRESENT THEIR CREDENTIALS FOR SEOUL OLYMPICS

# Cram's anxiety dream over at last

From Pat Butcher  
Athletics Correspondent  
Oslo

The yardstick of Steve Cram's achievement in winning the highly competitive Dream Mile here on Saturday night and beating, among others, his world championship conqueror, Abdi Bile, was not the margin of victory, but the three feet that he skipped into the air as he crossed the finishing line. It was the reaction of a man with a weight off his mind.

The doubt had persisted in Cram's mind since losing so badly to Bile in the world championships in Rome last year. But that result is immutable. This victory brought into focus Cram's capacity to win the Olympic Games 1,500 metres, against Bile and others, in three months' time.



Back to the front: Steve Cram reasserts his authority by forcing Herold into third place in the Dream Mile in Oslo on Saturday night

But it was ultimately Cram's experience which convinced him, correctly, that the trio in front of him would move off the curb to launch their sprint in the final straight, letting him through to victory in 3:48.85.

Had Cram faded, Peter Elliott would have been the one to restore Britain's middle-distance hegemony. For Elliott edged past Jens-Peter Herold and Bile in the last 20 metres.

Bile's fade in the last 50 metres bore out his prior contention that he was some way from optimum fitness. Cram now assumes pole position regarding discretionary Olympic 1,500 metres selection. But it only

## RESULTS FROM THE BISLETT GAMES

Mens 100 metres: 1. A Smith (Jam), 10.38; 2. D Sanguma (Pri), 10.52; 3. A Kovacs (Hun), 10.57; 4. R Hernandez (Cub), 11.05; 5. T Schepers (E), 11.10; 6. J. J. Venter (A), 11.15; 7. P. Brown (W), 11.23; 8. A. Mottel (E), 11.24; 9. S. B. Smith (S), 11.27; 10. J. B. B. (G), 11.30; 11. P. R. (G), 11.35; 12. M. H. (S), 11.40; 13. J. (S), 11.45; 14. J. (S), 11.50; 15. J. (S), 11.55; 16. J. (S), 12.00; 17. J. (S), 12.05; 18. J. (S), 12.10; 19. J. (S), 12.15; 20. J. (S), 12.20.

# Martin's 10,000m victory revives a proud tradition

From Pat Butcher

Eamonn Martin restores respectability and credibility to British 10,000-metre running with his fast victory in Oslo, and then turned round and said he was not particularly interested in running the event in the Olympic Games.

5,000 metres to Seoul, "but if that doesn't work out, I'd settle for 10,000-metre selection. I'm not going to sit at home and watch the Olympics on TV. I'm out that crazy."

Martin is one of the few top-class athletes nowadays who hold down a job, in his case, as a component testing engineer with Ford. It is just as well. Since he was a debutant here, he was offered no money to run, and could not even travel out when he wanted, being told by the organisers to fly on a group ticket.

Yet Martin's 77min 23.06sec on Saturday night was the world's fastest for two years, the fifth best overall, broke Brendan Foster's 10-year-old British record by seven seconds, and was the fastest debut, some three seconds better than Sandi Aquila here in 1986. And it could not have been achieved by a nicer man.

Martin, aged 29, has endured two years of injuries with the same phlegmatic humour that he brought to his Press conference after winning one of the most competitive 10,000 metres of all time, with 14 men going under 28 minutes, and most of them taking considerable margins off their previous bests.

But whatever the case, Martin's breakthrough is the most exciting happening in British distance running for years. The event has languished since Dave Bedford and Foster held the world record. But one area where Martin has the edge is that for all his muscle, bustling style, which does not suggest a sprint capacity, he has better finishing

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# US primed for World Cup

By David Miller

Werner Fricker, the president of the United States Soccer Federation, is confident that one of the main obstacles to FIFA awarding the 1994 World Cup to the United States has been overcome.

expensive operation of being host broadcaster. Fricker said yesterday in Zurich: "The US federation has guaranteed that all 52 matches would be screened if we are awarded the games. We are confident that a consortium can be created among all those television operators who wish to be involved, to create a host broadcaster, to provide the world-wide signal. But so much can happen in the changing world of television sport during the next six months."

Brazil, which would be considered the natural choice among most football people, is struck by such national financial hardship that to host the World Cup would be seen as an excessive indulgence. Nearly all their stadiums would need rehuilding.

The US go into the ring this morning together with Brazil and Morocco as candidates for the 1994 finals. It is widely believed that FIFA has made up its mind well in advance - that the opportunity for commercial development in North America is unrivalled as well as the development of the game itself - but that the television issue might have been a serious handicap.

Televisa Mexicana, the major Mexican network owned by a personal friend of Joao Havelange, has the Spanish-language rights for the United States, and possibly Televisa would be part of Fricker's projected consortium.

Morocco, having staged a successful African nations' championship this spring, has promised to build nine new stadiums in addition to those in Casablanca and Rabat, and Havelange is under much pressure from Africa to fulfil his promises to the Third World when first elected president in 1974.

# United in bid for Ronald Koeman

Manchester United are preparing a £2 million-plus bid for Ronald Koeman, the PSV Eindhoven sweeper who was one of the outstanding figures in The Netherlands' European championship winning team.

Paul Gascoigne from Newcastle. MILAN: Igor Belanov, the Dynamo Kiev and Russian international forward, looks set to join Atlanta, thus becoming the first footballer from his country to play for an Italian club.

Details of the transfer were still being worked out on Saturday. It was not known how much the Soviet federation would ask in transfer fees or how much Belanov, unaccustomed to the huge wages enjoyed by top Western footballers, would earn at Atlanta.

United have already spent £2.5 million in the close season on the goalkeeper, Jim Leighton, and forward, Mark Hughes. Ferguson is also keen to sign

Atlanta officials said they had taken over an option agreed between second division Genoa and the Soviet football federation earlier this year for Belanov's transfer to Italy next season.

The player has already told Genoa he was willing to come to Italy, and there shouldn't be any problems as far as we are concerned," the Atlanta general manager, Franco Previtali, said.

RACING

# Gallant Mtoto warm order for Ascot showcase

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Mtoto has been made even more favourite by Ladbrokes for his attempt to emulate his sire, by landing the double of the Eclipse and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot.

Steady Heights will now go for either the International Stakes at York or the Arlington Million in Toronto. Talking about the one-time favourite for the 1987 Derby, Robert Armstrong commented: "He had a lot of problems last year and it often takes horses a long time to recapture their best form."

As both Kahyasi and Insan will be missing from the line-up at Ascot, the runner-up in the Epsom and later third in the Irish Derby, appears to be the principal three-year-old challenger for Britain's most important all-age race.

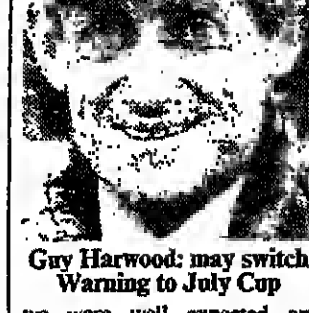
A visit to York or Toronto, followed by an attempt to win the Dubai Champion Stakes for the third time, will be Patrick Banno's "renewed-breaking mare's autumn programme."

But yesterday's cracking hot day, since the Curragh," said Barry Hills, "but if he's to my liking, he'll certainly go to Ascot."

Indian Skimmer ran up to Henry Cecil's expectations in finishing a close fourth, only a head behind Trippych. "We haven't been able to gallop her properly on the firm going," said the trainer. "She showed that she has retained her form, but will now have to wait and see before we make any plans."

The climax came when Shady Heights quickened for the second time just inside the last furlong. Mtoto seemed to resent it when I hit him, but he was all right when I poked the whip down," said the jockey about that final surge of relentless power.

The rest of the thrilling day's racing, which was watched by a crowd of 13,600, belonged to Ian Balding, the Kingsclere trainer landing a 235-1 treble with Insular, Silver Fir and Hoy, a victory of Steve Key at Bath completed a memorable afternoon for the stable.



Guy Harwood: may switch warning to July Cup

we were well expected and before we watched the video on Saturday night, we fell depressed.

Michael "Sassa" Marshall, Balding's 7th claiming apprentice, excelled himself with a personal double of 55-1 on Insular and Hoy. "When I came here, he could talk about nothing but Sassa Dancer, John Dunlop's \$10.2 million yearling," said the trainer.

The new penalised Hoy is bound for the Schweppes Golden Mile at Goodwood, Silver Fir, whom John Balding thought would be a quarter of a length ahead of Princess Athena in the Trafalgar House Sprint, is also bound for the Sussex course, in her case for the King George Stakes.

Tomorrow, all roads will lead to Newmarket for the delights of the racing. The feature on the opening afternoon will be the meeting between Infamy, Unfuwain and Undercut in the Princess of Wales Stakes.

Guy Harwood, Undercut's trainer, has not yet decided whether to let Warbling Vain be the "renewed-breaking mare's autumn programme."

Big-race result AS CORAL ECLIPSE STAKES (Group 1 £128,733; 1m 20)

Posada (John Reid), an impressive winner of the Cork and Orrery Stakes at Royal Ascot, has a good chance of carrying the penalty to a readily on soft ground and finished well beaten in eighth.

advantage entering the last furlong but Cash Assmusen drove his mount ahead close home. Paul Cole's Blat Fasha (Richard O'Leary) was ready on soft ground and finished well beaten in eighth.

However, she should have little to fear from the other two British runners, Paint Of Light (Paul Eddery), a well-beaten third behind her at Ascot, and Sharp Reminder (Tyrone Williams), who has not run since finishing eighth fourth in the Handmade Sailer at York on May 12.

Her penalty means she meets her older opponents like Holst (Pat Eddery), Export Price (Freddie Head) and Astronef (Alain Legnoux) on much worse than weight-for-age terms.

Speedy Caerwent has Sussex Stakes target

Just a Flutter proved the better of the two English challengers in Saturday's group two £250,000 Lanes End Farm International Stakes at the Phoenix Park, but was completely outpaced in the final furlong by the odds-on favourite, Caerwent.

Speedy Caerwent has Sussex Stakes target

Jim Bolger will also have a fancied Newmarket runner with Honey turning out for tomorrow's Charybides Stakes. Since finishing third in the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot, Honoria has achieved a very smooth win over six furlongs at the Curragh.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET: Third Cornhill Test Match 11.0 to 5.30 p.m. LORD'S: Oxford v Cambridge. OTHER SPORT: ATHLETICS: Army station championships (Sandhurst). BOWLS: British Isles Men's Championship (Larne), British Isles Women's Championship (Larne). GOLF: Open qualifying rounds (Beau Desert, Camberly Heath, Glenview, Hanley Common, Langley Park, Lindsell, Little Aston, Ormskirk, Porters Park). POLA: Marni Lynch Champion Cup (Greenoster). SHOW JUMPING: Royal Show (Stonleigh).

TENNIS: All England championships (Wimbledon) 11.0 a.m. and 2.0 p.m. SPORT ON TV: BOWLS: BBC2 7.30 a.m. First quarter-final of the Invitation Pairs Crown Green Bowling Tournament. CRICKET: BBC1 10.50 a.m.-1 p.m. 1.50-4.0. BBC2 12.55-1.05, 1.35-2.0, 4.0-6.05. Highlights 11.25. Test Match: England v West Indies from Old Trafford. CYCLING: CA 8.30-7.0 p.m.: Stages one and two of the Tour de France. SPORTS WORLD EXTRA: ITV 1.10 a.m. (tomorrow) Golf and Boxing.







Big men power way into final

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THE TIMES James Capel



Brookes, the women's UK singlehanded champion from Malden, Essex who won through as the top minishoot trimmer. Joining this crew to represent the south-east in the final...

Japanese look to the future

Koobakura III won the 1988 12-metre world championship title convincingly in Luleå, Sweden. Saturday's search for two consecutive wins over the Japanese-owned Bengal III...

POLO

Gracida gets into top gear

Gisouris, the 17-goal Frenchman, who has made a league one place in the Davidoff-sponsored British open championship, played their second match at the weekend when they met the much-vaunted 22-goal Souths...

Alan Lee finds some home truths in the Pakistan captain's newly published autobiography



Imran: wide-ranging criticism

Imran Khan's views on Pakistan cricket are not exactly what you would call patriotic. Nepotism, inefficiency and corruption are just three of the charges he levels at his country's administration. He adds, however, that the game in Pakistan 'is also the story of players who have risen above the mire'...

back five years, to a dubious decision by umpire David Constant in the Headingley Test of 1982. He explains: 'Captain decisions are crucial to the outcome of a series and can lead to so much bitterness as to cause incalculable harm to cricketing relations between two countries'...

EQUESTRIANISM Skelton's point for Apollo at Aachen

From Jenny MacArthur Aachen

Nick Skelton gave conclusive proof of his and the 13-year-old Apollo's fitness for an Olympic team place by winning yesterday's Aachen Grand Prix...

Eighteen horses qualified for the second round of the Grand Prix. The only British rider apart from Skelton was, surprisingly, Michael Whitaker...

Middlesex fail to go clear at top of table

By Ivo Tennant

Rain was the scourge of the Refuge Assurance Sunday League yesterday. Not a ball was bowled in six of the eight scheduled matches...

Alas, for Middlesex, who made a useful start in their innings — 32 for 0 off 10.2 overs — rain then stopped play and continued unremittingly. The squares were swept...

Derbys v Middlesex

Derbys (Derbyshire won toss; Middlesex won toss): No result, Derbyshire 2pts, Middlesex 2. LEICESTERSHIRE...

Refuge Assurance League table

Table with columns for teams, matches played (P), wins (W), losses (L), draws (D), and points (Pts). Lists teams like Middlesex, Lancashire, Sussex, etc.



Turning the screw: Harper keeps the West Indies going (Photograph: Graham Morris)

All-round excellence puts Kent in lead

By Ivo Tennant

For some, hearing that Kent had dismissed Sussex for 71 before lunch at Hastings, the immediate response would surely be to the effect that Derek Underwood had taken seven or eight wickets on his favourite ground...

cheaply with what amounts to an average county attack? Even to a Man of Kent, there is no easy answer. The pitches have something to do with it...

for five, any side with such a long tail (pigout batting at seven) would be hard put to recover. Kelleher, another relatively unknown medium-pacer, made sure Sussex did not take four for 24...

Wickets tumbled at Northampton; but as at Hastings the side which batted first won the toss. Northamptonshire were bowled out for 147...

SWIMMING Scots rise to stop Swiss roll

By Steven Downes

Scotland, the holders of the Royal Bank Quail, had to wait until the fifteenth event of the eight-nation international in Edinburgh yesterday before gaining their first individual win...

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It is the Sussex Stonewallers. It also known as the Old Horn Procrastinators. The First XI is made up of nine resolutely defensive batsmen, and two nifty demon fast bowlers...

Amateurs give Walshaw a winning lead

By Peter Bryan

The lasting memory from the Welsh Grand Prix three-day race at Aberystwyth yesterday will be one of misery. Three days and 277 miles climbing out of the UK Valley to misty mountain tops in torrential rain provided no pleasant backdrop...

Walshaw was equal thirteenth and Matthews and Brown 36th and 41st respectively. But thanks to the trio's good luck they went into a lead of 18 minutes in the first 50 miles...

SATURDAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP SCOREBOARDS

Multiple cricket scoreboards for Northants v Lancs, Worcs v Gloucs, Yorkshire v Leics, Derbyshire v Essex, Surrey v Warwick, Sussex v Kent, and Derbys v Middlesex.







Grand finish by Britons on day that will go down in history of Henley Royal Regatta

British win with 1ft to spare

By Jim Railton

A rainy and thoroughly miserable day at Henley Royal Regatta was brightened by some brilliant racing and remarkable upsets. The Grand Challenge Cup will be one to savour years. Leander and London University eight reeling back the Australian Institute of Sport crew in a final spurt for a photo finish in the Grand Challenge Cup

Australia led by a few feet at the quarter mile, moved up to two thirds of a length at the barrier but were only half a length up at Fawley. Another crafty sprint took the Australians out to two thirds of a length at the three quarter mile, but they could not produce more.

The British eight soon after clawed back to half a length but in the final stages it looked like stalemate. Then in the last 200 metres the British produced an incredible sprint and one of the fastest finishes I have ever seen and in the last gasp came through to win in a photo finish by one foot in a race that will go down in the Royal Regatta's history.

A despondent Steve Evans, stroke of the Australian eight, reminisced afterwards that his father James won the Grand Challenge Cup in 1956. Evans was a member of the Australian team which won the World Cup in 1986. The Grand was followed by the Princess Royal and the Australian eight reeling back the Australian Institute of Sport crew in a final spurt for a photo finish in the Grand Challenge Cup

Another major upset of the Regatta was the defeat of Andy Sudduth, of Harvard University, in the Diamond Challenge Sculls by Hamish McGlashan, of Australia. Sudduth is a world class sculler while McGlashan is of a known pedigree and a reserve for the Australian quad in the Olympic Regatta.

McGlashan really proved himself. After being led by one and a quarter lengths at Fawley, he sculled his opponent down. Australia won the Queen Mother Challenge Cup by one length but were given a very tough race by Great Britain's Nautilus quadruple scull.

In the final of the Ladies' Challenge Plate, Mercantile Rowing Club, of Australia were led by three quarters of a length at the three quarter mile against Leander and then pressured in the second half of the course reeling back Leander to win by one length and amazingly equal the record set by Brown University, of United States in 1984.

Another Olympic crew, Vancouver's University, (US) easily in the final of the Prince Philip. The Tideway Scullers Club Thames by one and a half lengths in the Thames Challenge Cup. But overseas crews will not be too unhappy winning the Henley Royal Regatta's seven elite events but Great Britain will treasure the victory in the Grand.

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Rain takes men's final to rare Monday finish

By Rex Bellamy  
Tennis Correspondent

Boris Becker and Stefan Edberg began the Wimbledon men's singles final at 6.34 last evening. After only 22 minutes, the players were cast off again with Edberg leading 3-2. Play was then abandoned for the day and restarts at 11 a.m. today.

The long-awaited opening turned out to be extremely eventful with Edberg racing to a 3-0 lead in only eight minutes after breaking Becker's first service in the second game.

He also had a break point to go 4-0 ahead but Becker pulled back to win his first game at the fourth attempt on advantage. Then the West German, aged 20, broke Edberg to love in the fifth game with a memorable backhand service return down the line.

The rain stopped him serving to pull level and the players beat a retreat to the locker room where they had spent so much of the day waiting to move into action.

By 6.34 we had explored the records and discovered that the men's singles final had not been played on a Monday since 1922, though it happened 16 times from 1882 to 1919.

Becker has had to wait five years to settle a score with Edberg. In the first round of the 1983 boys' championship, their only previous match at Wimbledon, Edberg - aged 17, almost two years Becker's senior - won 6-2, 6-4. Their only other match on grass was the Queen's Club final three weeks ago, when Becker won 6-1, 3-6, 6-2.

Becker, Wimbledon champion in 1985 and 1986, went into this 1988 final with a 10-6 edge (9-4 in "official" records) in his private series with Edberg, whose chief claim to fame in grand slam events is that he won the last two Australian championships to be played on grass at Kooyong, Melbourne.

Edberg was the first Swede to contest a Wimbledon singles final since Bjorn Borg was runner-up to John McEnroe in 1981. Borg certainly started something. His most prominent Swedish successors have been Mats Wilander and Edberg; and one or the other has contested six of the last seven grand slam singles finals.



Becker has waited five years to settle score with Edberg (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

This time, the weight of patriotic expectation lay most heavily on Becker, because Siffi Graf had already won the women's title. Only four nations - Australia, Britain, France, and the United States - had won both Wimbledon singles championships the same year.

Germans have an acronym, GAU, which may be loosely translated as "the greatest conceivable accident". Their tennis writers have been discussing a Graf-Becker double in a terms of a "super-GAU".

Let us spare a thought for Becker's victim in the semi-final, Ivan Lendl, who had been within a point of defeat against Mark Woodforde and, against Becker, saved eight match points and played the final set with his left thigh heavily strapped to protect a slightly torn muscle.

Overall, Lendl played an admirably resolute Wimbledon. But his volleying lacks the dismissive assurance of Becker's. Lendl had his chances in the first two sets but eventually the writing on the wall had a clarity that could not be ignored.

At least Lendl had something to do. One felt slightly more sympathy for two charming, temporarily immobile supporters up in the stands: his coach, Tony Roche, and his girl friend, Samantha Frankel.

Lendl has been runner-up twice, but his frustrations are not unique. Roche was runner-up once and Ken Rosewall and Fred Stolle, who are playing doubles together in the over-35 event, contested a combined total of seven Wimbledon singles final without winning. Similarly, Borg

could never win the United States championship and McEnroe and Jimmy Connors could never win the French.

It takes a genuinely great champion - riding the crest of his or her wave of opportunity - to win everything. This reminds me that one of them, Margaret Court, was the subject of a rather disparaging fallacy in a feature article I read the other day. She was, and is, no six-footer. Just 5ft 9in.

There is a school of thought that 5ft 9in, about Graf-height, is the ideal for a female tennis player who also wants to remain an ideal woman. But that is a controversial area one would not wish to explore too deeply. According to Rod Laver, the ideal height for a male tennis player is 6ft 2in. Becker and Edberg are tailor-made for the job.

Emburey worthy of vote of confidence

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

John Emburey was asked, on Saturday night, if there was any hope of escape from England's latest disaster area. He gestured out of the pavilion window at a wet and wintry Old Trafford before replying: "You're looking at it."

This was not mere defeatism. Emburey, an indomitably cheerful and chirpy man even in such awesome adversity, was simply being realistic. He knew very well that unless another ugly weather forecast for the Manchester area was proved correct, the West Indies were long odds on to be two up with two to play, come tomorrow evening. What is more, he knew that such a result could cost him his job.

Cricket history is littered with scapegoat captains. Emburey would have illustrious company if the axe fell. But it would surely fall without justification, wielded by men who are more culpable, in the current dilemma, than a captain who has never been allowed to believe he is any more than a caretaker, yet has handled an awkward inheritance with refreshing candour and no little flair.

Emburey has so far been in charge of only eight days of Test cricket. The first went sensationally well; the other seven have reverted to type, the West Indies twisting the knife at every turn. England, however, are not in such a fearful mess through the fault of their captain. They are being beaten, and beaten badly, by a superior team who have at times been made to

look superhuman by what amounts to negligence among certain of England's most distinguished players.

This third Test match of the Cornhill series was effectively lost on the opening day, when England produced a staggeringly spineless batting display. Good players gave themselves up to carnival strokes. On a slow pitch prepared to suit spin, England were dismissed in the equivalent of two sessions. Not a single bowler was bowled, not an over of spin was needed.

Emburey could justifiably have considered this a personal insult. He has long yearned to be England captain. He got the job in unenviable circumstances and now he stands to lose it without fair trial. Some time in the next few days, Peter May and his fellow-selectors must make a decision on the captaincy. I believe they should stand by their judgement, rather than hold the man up to ridicule for a failure for which the blame is shared by many. Emburey should be reappointed for the last two Tests of this fraught series.

It would do no harm to tell him so this morning, when an injection of confidence is desperately needed. Weather permitting, Viv Richards intends to bat on in search of a 300-run lead, then leave his bowlers five sessions to do the job they managed in two last Thursday. Small wonder that on Saturday night Richards, lounging in a baseball cap and an inside-out sweater, was as

relaxed and genial as I have ever seen him.

He makes no secret of his belief that England have had this pitch prepared to their own specifications but he is not in a mood to complain. Why should he? "It was prepared to suit the spinners and the middle was watered to slow it down. I don't see anything wrong in that. Teams come to the Caribbean and criticise us for producing wickets to suit our strengths. I hope people will now stop knocking us because it is done all over the world."

Richards joined in the general praise for John Childs, who has taken only one wicket so far but might with luck have had several more. "A wonderful debut," Richards said. "Brilliant," Emburey, who has himself looked nowhere near as dangerous, said. As Richards confirmed: "For some reason, Emburey was not on the spot. He wasn't much trouble to us, I don't know if he is lacking confidence but we are certainly playing him well."

The only wicket to fall, on a messy Saturday watched by a weatherbeaten crowd of 16,400, went to Dilley, who now has 13 in the series. Dujon, aiming to force through midwicket, was the latest batsman undone by the slow pace of the pitch and connected only with a leading edge. Thereafter, although Childs and DeFreitas bowled agreeably well, Harper and Marshall put on 76 for the seventh wicket in a style which, paradoxically, should give England's batsmen some hope.

Micky Stewart, the manager, rightly pointed out that England salvaged a draw from a similar position in the first Test. To do so again, however, will require a very much tougher attitude than was shown on Thursday. Emburey knows it. "Reputedly the best players in the country got out in ways they should not have done. They've got to show more application."

"It is disappointing to have to say that when you are playing at this level. We are talking about top players. They don't want to lose. We have all played a lot of times against the West Indies and we want to beat them. We don't want to keep kowtowing."

OLD TRAFFORD SCORECARD

England won toss ENGLAND First Innings: 135 (C A Walsh 4 for 46) WEST INDIES First Innings: C G Greenidge lbw b DeFreitas 45, R B Richardson b Dilley 23, C L Hooper lbw b Childs 16, T V A Richards b Capel 47, A L Logie lbw b Dilley 39, P J Dujon c Capel b Dilley 12, R A Harper not out 61, M A Marshall not out 37, Extras (fb 20, nb 0) 22 Total (8 wks, 131 overs) 357

Late burst produces victory for Reid By John Hennessy The Birchgrove Women's European Open golf championship at Kingswood, Surrey, yesterday developed into a taut tussle in persistent rain between two pocket dynamos, Dale Reid and Alison Nicholas, of Scotland and England respectively. In the end Reid just scraped home by one stroke with a final round of 72 and a total of 283, nine under par. Nicholas scored 76 yesterday. The cut and thrust between the two was highlighted by their play of the 407-yard fifth. Nicholas arrived on the tee to discover that Reid, who had begun the day four shots behind, had just recorded a three there by way of a four into the green and a putt of 35ft. Her response was a superb eagle for an eagle. She, in her turn, hit a four-wood to 30 feet and holed the putt with total conviction. But disappointment lay ahead of Nicholas, the British Open champion, a tee shot to the seventh finished just in the bunker and, with only a narrow strip of sand between ball and grass, she backed it past the hole and missed a return putt of four feet. The eighth also cost her a stroke when her tee shot drifted six inches into the rough and she was unable to retrieve the situation with a nine-foot birdie putt on the ninth. So there was only one shot in it when they bent their heads and headed out for another two hours of discomfort, attended by delightful despair according to the way of fortune. Reid finally drew level at the 15th, where Nicholas took two putts from seven feet. A birdie at the next appeared to put Nicholas finally in reach of the £9,000 first prize, but there was a two-shot swing at the last hole, where Reid holed from 15ft for a three and Nicholas hit an eight-iron into a bunker, and from a plugged lie she was unable to get up and down.

WIMBLEDON RESULTS

- Seeded players in singles: Men's singles Winner: £165,000 Runner-up: £82,500 Holder: P Cash (Aus) Semi-finalist: B BECKER (WGB) b L LENDL (Cz), 6-4, 6-3, 6-7, 6-4 Women's singles Winner: £148,500 Runner-up: £74,250 Holder: Miss M Navratilova (US) Final: S GRAF (WGB) b M NAVRATILOVA (US), 5-7, 6-2, 6-1. Men's doubles Winner: £57,200

Too wet and woolly

It was not, as John Fitzgerald suggested morosely, even a good day for sheep (Richard Evans writes). A cap bearing the words "Bundilla Park Merinos" lay on the table in the players' tea room as Fitzgerald and his doubles partner, Anders Jarryd, whiled away the hours with the Australian's parents, who own a large sheep ranch. But even sheep do not need as much rain as fell on the All England club yesterday; rain which had already resulted in a disappointing court demolition for what, potentially, is one of the best men's doubles finals in years.

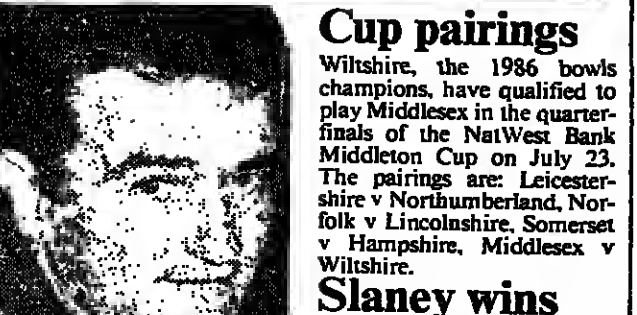
Bedford leads a revolution

By a Special Correspondent British athletics, on the road to a single governing body, took a radical change in direction at Birmingham yesterday. At an emergency general meeting of the Amateur Athletic Association (AAA), delegates voted against the establishment proposals and for the more revolutionary plans of the Southern Counties Athletic Association. The AAA's proposal, christened the McAllister plan after the AAA president, Bill McAllister, was to extend the powers of the English association as a base for a new British federation. Its image was that of McAllister himself: avuncular and concerned. The image of the opposition came from Derek Johnson and David Bedford. Their proposals detailed more power for the north, midlands and south as areas and for the clubs. Bedford is seen as its most forceful figure.

SPORT IN BRIEF

- Smith to defend Robert Smith, who is shortlisted for the Olympic team, will defend his national title at the Royal Show at Stoneleigh, in Warwickshire, which starts today. Smith will decide later in the week whether to ride April Sun or Brook Street Boyssie in the British Showjumping Association's national championship on Thursday. He won the event last year on April Sun. Bayle first France (Reuter) - The French teenager, Jean-Michel Bayle, overcame the rain to win the French 125 cc moto-cross grand prix yesterday, thereby moving within four points of the world championship leader, Dave Strijbos, aged 16, of Rotherham. Cup pairings Wiltshire, the 1986 bowls champions, have qualified to play Middlesex in the quarter-finals of the NatWest Bank Middleton Cup on July 23. The pairings are: Leicestershire v Northumberland, Norfolk v Lincolnshire, Somerset v Hampshire, Middlesex v Wiltshire. Slaney wins Mary Slaney, of the United States, had little competition as she won the mile in a time of 4min 21.25sec in Eugene, Oregon, yesterday. It was her first attempt at the distance since setting the world record of 4:16.71 nearly three years ago. Drawn bout Johannsburg (AP) - James Pritchard, of the United States, and the leading heavyweight of South Africa, fought to a 10-round draw on Saturday night at the Sun City resort.

Smith to defend



Smith: won title last year

Champion out Lisa Elliott, aged 18, the British gymnastics champion, withdrew from an Olympic trial at Lilleshall National Sport Centre yesterday because of a groin injury. The two women's places for gymnastics at the Olympic Games will be filled by Karen Kennedy, aged 21, of Camberley, and Karen Hargate, aged 16, of Rotherham.

Tail-end Bontempi in Tour yellow jersey

From John Wilcockson, La Baule, France It is often said that the Tour de France has all the ingredients of a blockbuster novel, with its stories of dramatic deeds in the mountains and rumours of skulluggery and drug use. The preface to such a book perhaps should include a few elements of that novel; but the brief preface to the 75th Tour de France yesterday was more like a first draft, although the winner, Guido Bontempi, of Italy, was a suitable author. The preface, not officially part of the three-week race, had a curious formula: a four-kilometre team time-trial leading to a one-kilometre sprint made by one rider from each team. The fastest would earn the yellow jersey. This unusual format suited Bontempi perfectly. Even the blustery showers relented as the tall Italian and his Carrera team began their test at the tail end of the 22 nine-man formations. As that moment, the fastest time of 1min 16.92sec stood to Jelle Nijdam. With the promenade road almost dry, the conditions were near-perfect. The penultimate starter, Peter Stevenhaagen, of The Netherlands, stopped the clock at exactly 1:16.00. Would the Bontempi, aged 28, be able to better this time? We soon had the answer: Bontempi used his past track-racing experience to chop off almost two seconds. RESULT: 1. G Bontempi (Carrera), 1m 16.92s; 2. P Stevenhaagen (Neth), 1:16.00; 3. J Nijdam (Neth), 1:16.02; 4. E de Wilt (Bel), 1:17.28; 5. S Vinger (Bel), 1:18.00; 6. S Vinger (Bel), 1:18.00; 7. S Kelly (Aus), 1:19.42; 8. G Sagno (It), 1:21.02.